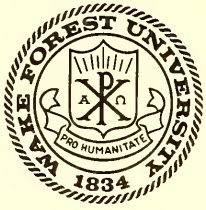
WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY
THE Z. SMITH REYNOLDS LIBRARY



CALL NO.
[redacted]
1922-1930

NOT TO BE CIRCULATED

Digitized by the Internet Archive
in 2013

http://archive.org/details/minutesofann192230west

BX
6349
A4
N6
W37
1922-1930

206.9756
W66wel

MINUTES

OF THE

SEVENTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

WEST LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH THE

GRAPE CREEK CHURCH

SITUATED WEST OF MURPHY, N. C.

SEPTEMBER 28-29-30, OCTOBER 1, 1922

OFFICERS

MODERATOR: REV. W. T. TRUETT
VICE-MODERATOR: [illegible] L. [illegible]ET
CLERK: U. S. G. PHILLIPS
TREASURER: I. P. HAWKINS

NEXT SESSION OF THIS BODY WILL BE HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT EBENEZER, SIX MILES OUT FROM MURPHY, N. C., BEGINNING ON THURSDAY BEFORE THE FIRST SUNDAY IN OCTOBER, 1923. INTRODUCTORY SERMON BY REV. C. V. [illegible]MBER.

MINUTES

OF THE

SEVENTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

WEST LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH THE

GRAPE CREEK CHURCH
SIX MILES WEST OF MURPHY, N. C.

SEPTEMBER 28-29-30, OCTOBER 1, 1922

OFFICERS

MODERATOR: REV. W. T. TRUETT
VICE-MODERATOR: A. L. TIPPET
CLERK: U. S. G. PHILLIPS
TREASURER: I. P. HAWKINS

NEXT SESSION OF THIS BODY WILL BE HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT EBENEZER, SIX MILES NORTHWEST OF MURPHY, N. C., BEGINNING ON THURSDAY BEFORE THE FIRST SUNDAY IN OCTOBER, 1923. INTRODUCTORY SERMON BY REV. C. A. HEMBREE.

RALEIGH
EDWARDS & BROUGHTON PRINTING COMPANY
1922

PROCEEDINGS

FIRST DAY: THURSDAY SEPT. 28TH., 1922

The West Liberty Baptist Association met according to appointment with the church at Grape Creek, six miles west of Murphy, N. C. Rev. W. T. Truett preached the introductory sermon; the text was Luke 23:42. Adjourned until 1 p. m. for refreshments.

Afternoon Session

Reassembled at 1 p. m. House was called to order by Moderator Rev. C. A. Hembree. Prayer by W. N. Cook. Appointed U. S. G. Phillips as clerk *pro tem.*, and Willard Hall and W. J. Umphries, Reading Clerks. On motion: That the letter from Oak Grove Church with the delegates be received. Then called for letters of various churches of the Liberty Association. After reading of the letters, the body went into permanent organization, resulting as follows: W. T. Truett, Moderator; U. S. G. Phillips, Clerk; A. L. Tippet, Vice-Moderator; I. P. Hawkins, Treasurer.

Invitation was given visitors, and received Rev. R. L. Randolph from Tennessee River Association and Rev. W. N. Cook from Western North Carolina Association.

Committees—

On Order of Business—D. T. McNabb, R. L. Randolph and C. A. Hembree.

State Missions—Charles Camble, I. P. Hawkins and W. L. Hall.

Home Missions—T. H. Crofts, Ed. Monday and C. S. Burger.

Foreign Missions—Rev. R. L. Randolph, W. J. Umphries and Robert Foster.

Orphange—W. N. Cook, A. J. Whitehouse and W. M. Gladsom.

Pastor's Support—S. L. Rose, A. L. Tippet and J. U. Farmer.

State of Churches—Rev. W. D. Hogsed, J. M. Davis and Alfred Hall.

Temperance—Rev. R. L. Randolph, J. S. Akins and E. W. Taylor.

Christian Education—W. N. Cook, C. A. Hembree, and Joe Coleman.

Ministerial Relief—Rev. C. A. Hembree, J. L. Arp and Elie Dockery.

Periodicals—D. T. McNabb, W. D. Hogsed and A. L. Tippet.

Women's Unions—Bertha Odom, Lela Hall, W. N. Cook. Preaching at night, 7 p. m. On motion: Adjourned until 9 a. m. tomorrow. Benediction by Rev. W. D. Hogsed.

SECOND DAY: FRIDAY, SEPT. 29TH, 1922

Body met. Devotional exercises by Rev. I. P. Hawkins. House was called to order by the Moderator. Invitation was given visitors. Letters of various churches called for. Journal of preceding day read and adopted.

WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY
LIBRARY

On motion: That the Association take up the regular routine of business. On motion: That the report be laid over until the same is written.

Appointed Committees as follows: *Finance*—S. C. Mingus, J. S. Phillips.

Nominations—A. W. Hall, Henry Truett and C. A. Hembree.

Hospitality—J. M. Payne, J. T. Dockery and W. D. Hall. On motion: That Bro. J. T. Dockery be made a delegate from Beaver Dam Church.

Deceased Members—D. T. McNabb, W. J. Umphries, J. W. King.

Report on Pastor's support read and adopted after discussion by Rev. R. L. Randolph and others.

Received Rev. C. F. Martin from Western North Carolina Association.

On motion: That the three missions be discussed together, but the reports to be read separately. Report on Foreign Missions read and adopted. Report on Home Missions read and adopted. Report on State Missions read and adopted after discussion by Rev. R. L. Randolph, Rev. C. A. Hembree, Rev. W. T. Truett, Rev. W. N. Cook, C. S. Burges and I. P. Hawkins. Report on Orphanage read and adopted after discussion by A. L. Tippet, Rev. C. F. Martin and R. L. Randolph. On motion: That we take a collection for Orphanage. Amount collected, $11.31. On motion: That C. F. Martin preach at 11 o'clock a. m. The text was John 4:25. Prayer by W. D. Hogsed. Adjourned until 1 p. m.

Afternoon Session

Reassembled at 1 p. m. The House was called to order by the Moderator. Prayer by A. L. Tippet.

On motion: That the Association help Bro. A. L. Tippet bear the loss of the money that was paid in last year for Minutes. On motion: That we discuss Home Missions tonight. Report on Temperance read and adopted after discussion by Rev. I. P. Hawkins and others.

On motion: That we adjourn until tomorrow at 9 a. m. Benediction by Rev. C. F. Martin.

THIRD DAY: SATURDAY, SEPT. 30TH, 1922

Devotional exercises, Rev. C. F. Martin. House was called to order by the Moderator. An invitation was given to visitors, and M. P. Sneed from Western North Carolina Association attended. On motion: That this question be taken up by pastors for this child at Blue Ridge, Ga., Mary Coleman, and the money be sent to U. S. G Phillips. On motion: That the name of this Association be called West Liberty. Rev. R. L. Randolph preached at 11 a. m. Text, Col. 1:18. Report on Periodicals read and discussed by R. L. Randolph and W. T. Truett. On motion: Adopted. Report on Christian Education read and discussed by R. L. Randolph and others On motion: Adopted. On motion: That we adjourn until 1 p. m.

Afternoon Session

Reassembled at 1 p. m. House called to order by the Moderator. Prayer by J. T. Dockery.

On motion: That we appoint a Director, Sister Bertha Odom, for the Woman's Missionary Union. On motion: That the Standard Organized Plan

be adopted in this Association. Committee: J. T. Dockery, J. L. Arp and J. M. Moore. Report on Deceased Members read and adopted. Report on Finance read and adopted. Report on Nominations read and adopted.

On motion: That the resolution on Hospitality be read and adopted. Report on State of Churches read and adopted. Report on Ministerial Relief read and adopted after discussion by C. F. Martin and others.

On motion: That the Association pay U. S. G. Phillips $8.00 for his services as clerk. Amount raised for ministers and clerk, $37.13. On motion: That the Association adjourn until tomorrow at 9 a. m. On motion: That this Association appoint U. S. G. Phillips, D. T. McNabb and John Shields as trustees of the Sylva Collegiate Institute. Dismissal by Rev. R. L. Randolph.

FOURTH DAY: SUNDAY, OCT. 1st, 1922

Body met. Devotional exercises by W. J. Umphries. The house was called to order by the Moderator. Report on Sunday Schools read and discussed by S. C. Mingus, U. S. G. Phillips, Rev. C. A. Hembree and Rev. W. T. Truett. On motion: Adopted. Report on Thanks read and adopted.

Rev. W. T. Truett preached at 11 a. m. Text Matt. 2:1. On motion: That this Association stands adjourned until time and place set forth by the Committee on Nominations (see the report).

Rev. W. T. Truett, *Moderator*,
U. S. G. Phillips, *Clerk*.

ROLL OF DELEGATES

Beaverdam: U. S. G. Phillips, John Coleman, J. M. Davis, S. L. Rose, J. S. Phillips, H. E. Barton, J. T. Dockery.

Buck Knob: J. H. Rose.

Culberson: T. H. Crofts, Henry Truett, J. F. Foster, B. T. Helton, R. B. Foster.

Ebenezer: Elie Dockery, W. J. Umphries, Oliver Dockery, J. W. Lovingood, J. F. Capeheart.

Fair View: B. F. Fox, W. H. Martin Sterling Akin, Callie Fox, Braskey Evans,

Friendship: J. F. Wood, J. M. McNabb, R. L. Keenum, W. L. McNabb, T. D. Hickey, D. F. McNabb and W. N. Anderson.

Grape Creek: H. Warley, Bob Roberts, A. W. Hall, Joseph Coleman and W. D. Hall.

Hiwassee: W. E. Lovingood, P. Hogsed, George Coleman, S. C. Mingus.

Hopewell: A. Rice, J. M. Payne, J. M. Moore, J. M. Bryant, T. T. Johnson, A. L. Tippet.

Mt. Moriah: T. H. Cole, Elanzo Gaddis, J. N. Bell.

Mt Pleasant: Elisha Burger, Ira Hilton, Ralph Shields, Ed. Monday, W. M. Gladsom, J. S. Shields.

Mt. Nebo: J. U. Farmer, James Dockery, Walter Dockery, R. T. Radford, Vance Radford, Lee Farmer and Ed. Farmer.

New Prospect: J. N. Rowlin, F. M. Davis, J. M. Davis, S. H. Davis:

Pleasant Grove: W. D. Hogsed, Thos. Payne, Chas. Camble, Henry Gibson, R. M. Stiles, Monard Stiles.

Pleasant Hill: John Pickelsimer, K. W. Shear, W. H. Beaver, Geter Baines.

Persimmon: S. D. Stiles, T. H. Davis, L. A. Simonds, J. A. Williamson, J. H. Crisp.

Oak Grove: W. C. Walker, E. W. Taylor, T. G. Taylor, Elmer Taylor.

Shady Grove: I. P. Hawkins, C. S. Burger, J. L. Arp, Gay Hawkins, L. L Garlen, J. R. Robeson.

Union: J. H. Payne, A. J. Williamson, T. B. Reece, W. H. Reece.

Nottely: R. L. King, Jessie Roberson, J. W. King.

Report on Ministerial Relief

We, your Committee on Ministerial Relief, submit the following for consideration: Of all of the claims that present themselves to the Church that of the aged minister should receive our first consideration. They should have our prayers regularly, and be supported by the strong of the church, which is the means God has ordained for their support, and to cheer them in their declining years. We therefore recommend that collections be taken regularly and that we should give liberally for their support.

Our obligation does not cease when they become unable to preach and labor for the cause of the Master, for God has ordained that they that preach the Gospel should live by the Gospel.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. Hembree,
J. L. Arp,
Joe Coleman.

Report on Foreign Missions

Our attitude toward Foreign Missions is the acid test of our loyalty to the Master's command when He said, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel." Moreover, our attitude on this phase of work distinguishes us from the anti-mission Baptists.

The last year of Foreign Missions has been one of unparalleled progress. Foreign Board reports 542 churches; 6,834 baptisms; 49,659 members; 836 Sunday Schools; 40,000 pupils enrolled; and gifts from the natives amounting to $242,460.83.

This year the report is as follows: 622 churches; 7,891 baptisms; 64,251 members; 971 Sunday Schools; 53,691 pupils. This year we have 459 missionaries and 1,137 assistants; 23 physicians, 9 foreign nurses and 56 native nurses.

This year the receipts amounted to $2,224,713. The year 1921-1922 has been by far our greatest year; the hand of the Lord has been with us. Shall we, in the light of facts, retrench, or reinforce our recruits abroad?

R. L. Randolph,
W. J. Umphries,
R. B. Foster.

Report of Committee on Deceased Members

We, your Committee on deceased members, report the following: Shady Grove Church has lost one, Brother D. Lowdermilk.

New Prospect has lost two—obituaries attached to letter.

Mount Nebo has lost one.

Persimmon Creek has lost two, no names given.

Mt. Pleasant has lost one, M. D. Reynolds, Rock Springs, Ga.

Hiwassee has lost Sister Avaline Mingus.

Grape Creek three, Bro. E. C. Freeman, Sisters Dora Rogers and Nancy Hall.

Fair View has lost Sister Sally Hamrich.

Pleasant Hill one, Sister Cora Lee.

Friendship has lost one, Sister Mary McNabb, of Etowah, Tenn.

Nottely has lost one, Sister Sarah Cobb.

D. T. McNabb,
W. J. Umphries.

Sister Mary Rebecca Bruce was born Dec. 25, 1854. Married A. J. McNabb, Sept. 5, 1875, and died April 22, 1922. She professed faith in Christ in her young days and remained a member of the church until death. She leaves a husband and seven children, and many friends to mourn the loss of the dear sister, but their loss is her great gain. Farewell, loved one, till we meet in Heaven.

Report on Pastoral Support

We, your Committee on Pastoral Support, beg leave to recommend that the churches support their pastors more worthily. The Scriptures are not silent on this phase of the Master's work, for in the Book it is written that the "laborer is worthy of his hire." Moreover, it is ordained that he that preaches the Word, should live by the Word. We believe churches could better do this by forming pastoral funds, and adopting the New Testament plan of giving in 1, Cor. 16:2.

S. L. Rose,
J U. Farmer,
A. L. Tippet.

Resolution on Hospitals

Resolved, That the West Liberty Association put itself on record as approving the hospital program of our N. C. Baptist Convention; and second, that we have a report on our hospitals at our next association; and that we recommend that our pastors preach at least once a year on the work and teaching of Jesus on healing.

C. F. Martin, *Chairman.*

Report on Orphanage

We have in our Orphanage at Thomasville, N. C., 446, and at the Kennedy Home we have 85, making a total of 513. The number of applicants for the last Convention year was 724, of which 63 were received into the home. Sixteen completed the course. Daily cost per child has been 58½ cents and the monthly cost $17.85.

Farm products, $24.714.70; milk, 63,851 gallons at 35 cents per gallon, amounted to $22.374.85. Profit from *Charity and Children*, $2,177.11.

Contributions received, $250,209.27; contributions in clothing and kind, $2,580.27, making a total of $252,789.34.

There are at present six officers, twenty teachers, twenty-five matrons and fourteen helpers.

It is necessary that we greatly increase our gifts to these institutions in order to enable them to take care of every Baptist orphan in the State.

W. N. Cook,
W. M. Gladsom,
A. L. Williamson.

Report on Home Missions

Under the great commission of Christ given to His church to preach the gospel to every creature, no true follower of Christ can refuse to share in this responsibility. Hence we have missions, State, home and foreign. Our home missions are conducted by a board of directors, located at Atlanta, Ga., whose field of operations is confined to the Southern States, including Cuba and the Panama Zone.

Covering 18 States, the work of the Home Mission Board consists in having the gospel preached in all destitute sections, organizing new churches, aiding weaker ones in needy places, publishing the Scriptures and religious literature, and a special feature of this work is to meet foreign immigrants at our seaports and put into their hands the Word of God, and by further efforts win them to Christianity and to prevent idol worship in our land. Another feature of our Home Mission work is Christian education. All these needs of the kingdom appeal loudly to us for larger contributions. May the God of all Grace enable us to heed the call.

T. H. Crofts, *Chairman.*
C. S. Bugar,
Ed. Mundy.

Report on Temperance

We are glad to report that drinking intoxicants is not nearly as bad as it once was. But we believe it could be more thoroughly eliminated if we as Christians would make a more determined stand against it. We should report all illicit making or selling of liquor. We should aid in law enforcement and uphold the hands of officers.

I. P. Hawkins.
J. S. Akin.

Report on Periodicals

Our Baptist papers are the modern Acts, recording the doings of the great Baptist host. When the Acts of the Apostles were written and broadcasted by the disciples, their message was read by all with keen interest; all the early churches and disciples were glad to be informed of what was going on in the kingdom. The work of making Baptist progress and recording history is going on today as it was in the days of the early church, and our people ought to inform themselves as to what is being done. No other denomination is going to do this for the Baptists in a correct way. Our people will have to read our papers to know what Baptists are doing. The *Biblical Recorder* is the organ of our Baptist State Convention and should be read by every Baptist; *Charity and Children* is our Orphanage paper and should be read by all friends of the Orphange. *The Home and Foreign Field* is our Mission paper and gives us information about all Missions. We most

earnestly urge that every Baptist in this Association subscribe for and read these papers; Especially do we recommend that each church see to it that its pastor is supplied with the *Biblical Recorder*.

A. L. TIPPET.

Report of Committee Finance

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to submit the following report: Money raised for minutes from the churches, amounted to $23.13; amount paid by A. L. Tippet for last year was $14.00, making a total of $37.13.

S. C. MINGUS, *Chairman*,
J. S. PHILLIPS.

Report of Committee on Nominations

Executive Committee—W. T. Truett, U. S. G. Phillips, I. P. Hawkins, D. T. McNabb, J. T. Dockery, Mrs. W. I. Truett, Mrs. Lue Cole.

Enlistment and Stewardship—C. A. Hembree, Pastor; A. L. Tippet, S. S.; Miss Cora McNabb, B. Y. P. U.; Mrs. Bertha Odom, W. M. U.; J. M. Payne, Laymen.

Report of Committee on Resolution of Thanks

Resolved, That this Association tenders its sincere thanks to the Grape Creek Church for the royal way in which they have entertained the body at this sitting.

U. S. G. PHILLIPS, *Chairman*.

Report of Committee on Sunday Schools

Since the Sunday School is a part of our church work, your committee wants to recommend to our pastors and representatives of the several churches returning to their members the all importance of our ever-growing Sunday schools.

In our Sunday Schools we teach to our little ones as well as to our adults the theology of God's word; in view of this fact we see the all importance of their having Godly men and women to impart to our child the precious truth taught in the Word.

Furthermore, we urge and recommend that the churches see to it that only those who know God be allowed to act as teachers in our Sunday schools, knowing as we do that the impression made is more efficient in the service of our Master. As they come to more mature years we must find something for them to do, hence we have the training class, training those who may in the future make efficient teachers in our churches.

U. S. G. PHILLIPS, *Chairman*.
S. C. MINGUS.

Summary of State Mission Results

We might sum up the work of the various departments in brief as follows:

The Department of Missionary-Pastoral Assistance: There are about 210 missionary-pastors in the employ of the State Mission Board.

These men serve 350 churches and mission stations. We pay these men varying amounts, all the way from $5 per month to $175 per month. The

payroll is about $5000 per month for the missionaries alone. We are assisting in the payment of the salary of almost every man at a college or school center. We believe it is vitally important to have a strong preacher and pastor hard by every school, whether it be a State school or a Baptist school, a farm life school in the country, or the great university. In the counties of Hyde and Dare there is only one Baptist pastor in each and the State Mission Board pays the salary of one and half the salary of the other. These counties could not have Baptist preaching were it not for the help of the State Mission Board.

Department of Sunday Schools: We now have a secretary, two field secretaries and an elementary worker. We are making great progress in Sunday school organization and teacher training. We have 2,225 Baptist Sunday schools in North Carolina, while we have a little less than 2,300 Baptist churches.

Baptist Young People's Union: The work is growing in a marvelous way. We now have over 800 Unions in the State and they are being organized very rapidly and in great numbers. We are training a generation of young church members in the B. Y. P. U.'s who will transform the churches in ten years. No department of our State work has made greater progress than the Baptist Young People's Union.

W. N. Cook. *Chairman.*

Report of Committee on State of Churches

We, your Committee, submit the following: We find that a large number of our churches are progressing nicely while at the same time we realize that there is a great lack on the part of others, therefore we urge a more united work in all our churches in regard to the support of the gospel. We also recommend that we as ministers and churches concentrate our effort for the building up of the cause of the Master in our bounds and to the ends of the earth.

Rev. W. D. Hogsed, *Chairman.*

Report of Committee on Nominations

We, your Committee on Nominations, recommend that the next session of this body be held within the Ebenezer church, 6 miles northwest of Murphy, N. C., beginning Thursday, before the first Sunday in October, 1923. Introductional sermon by Rev. C. A. Hembree.

C. S. Burger,
A. W. Hall,
Joe Coleman.

Report of Committee on Christian Education

The most important thing that confronts the Baptists of this day and age is that of Christian education. Since the training of the young minds begins in our public schools, it behooves us as parents and trustees to look well after the proper instructors who, in a large measure mould these young minds for life service.

We, as Baptists, have within our reach denominational schools dotted here and there in the mountains of the Southland, where our boys and girls may

secure a more thorough training for use in life for the Master. Jesus, before He ascended to His home in glory, left the great command, "Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations," etc. May we as Baptists wake up to the fact that our boys and girls of today are to be the men and women of tomorrow, and give them every opportunity of securing a Christian education. Here in Western North Carolina lie the most precious diamonds which were ever quarried from the rough.

Who knows but what some of our sons and daughters might be growing into missionaries and preachers for our Master? Then why not begin to educate and train them before it is too late?

Education as provided by our denomination colleges is largely along correct lines. 2. As said John Milton: Christian Education is a means to an end; and 3, because we teach as we understand salvation by grace written by inspired men in the grand old Book, the Bible. Let us as Baptists lend our support to the church colleges as we should, thereby discharging our duty to our children and glorifying our Lord.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. W. N. Cook, *Chairman.*

CHURCHES	Ministerial Rel'f	Pastor's Support	To Visiting Ministers	The Poor	Minute Funds	State Missions	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Orphanage	
Bucknob	$	$	$	$ 1.12	$	$	$	$	$	$
Beaverdam	68.72	127.35		1.20						212.07
Culberson	33.00	69.72	3.50				2.00			212.07
Ebenezer		72.18	7.35		1.10					248.28
Fair View		23.60			150.00		1.25		4.00	37.23
Friendship		77.03	32.70	5.25	2.50	11.00			6.85	128.58
Grape Creek		8.20			1.00					
Hiwassee		24.25			1.00					25.35
Hopewell	11.00	122.00	10.00	11.00		56.00	2.50			221.50
Mt. Moriah	15.00	40.00			2.00			25.00		
Mt. Pleasant	15.00	100.00	30.00	10.00	1.00	25.00				
Mt. Nebo		24.00	22.00	4.75	1.50				3.00	64.75
New Prospect		25.00			1.45					
Nottely		50.00		4.50	1.50	11.00		2.40	9.00	76.90
Pleasant Grove		86.68	27.00		1.05					
Pleasant Hill		21.68			.70					22.38
Persimmon					1.51					
Shady Grove	5.00	86.50	50.00							
Union	2.00	39.00			1.50	1.00	2.35		2.00	65.50
Oak Grove	6.31	16.91			1.03					23.22

CHURCHES	Superintendent's Post Office	Secretary's Post Office	Officers and Teachers	Total Enrolled	Total Expenses Contributed
Bucknob			3	3	$3,412
Beaverdam	M. Farmer, Unaka, N. C.	Geo. Crawford, Unaka, N. C.	5	50	1,500
Culberson	T. H. Crofts, Culberson, N. C.	C. C. Bailey, Culberson, N. C.	3	30	12.00
Ebenezer	W. J. Umphries, Murphy, N. C.	Edgar Groves, Murphy, N. C.	5	55	3.00
Fair View	B. L. Fox, Ranger, N. C.	S. S. Akin, Ranger, N. C.	4	50	10.80
Friendship	Miss J. M. McNabb, Sult, N. C.	Pearl McNabb, Suit, N. C.	10	90	10.60
Grape Creek	Joseph Coleman, Murphy, N. C.	Janie Holt, Murphy, N. C.	4	48	
Hiwassee					
Hopewell	J. M. Payne, Culberson, N. C., R. 2	Edith Moore, Culberson, N. C., R. 2.	8	64	
Mt. Moriah				50	
Mt. Pleasant	C. S. Jenkins, Culberson, N. C.	Lillie Shields, Culberson, N. C.	9	75	
Mt. Nebo	J. N. Farmer, Unaka, N. C.	Lee Clayton, Grand View, N. C.	6	81	10.00
New Prospect					
Nottely	H. M. Hughes, Murphy, N. C.		5	50	1,500
Pleasant Grove					6.00
Pleasant Hill	P. H. Williamson, Hiwassee, N. C.	K. W. Shearer, Hiwassee, N. C.	7	48	
Persimmon	A. J. Williamson, Persimmon, N. C.	S. D. Stiles, Persimmon, N. C.	6	50	7.45
Shady Grove	I. P. Hawkins, Culberson, N. C.	Ganus Rice, Culberson, N. C.			
Union	W. W. Barton, Vesta, N. C.	A. G. Thompson, Vesta, N. C.	8	50	70.00
Oak Grove	W. C. Walker, Letitia, N. C.	W. A. Greene, Letitia, N. C.			

CHURCHES	Pastors and Post Offices	Clerks and Post Offiees	Sunday Service	Value Church Property	Baptised	Received by Letter	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Died	Total Members
Bucknob	S. C. Linderman, Violet, N. C.	Jaek Davis, Violet, N. C.	2	50	69	2				138
Beaverdam	C. A. Hembree, Murphy, N. C.	U. S. G. Phillips, Unaka, N. C.	2	500	49	2	2			183
Culberson	W. T. Truitt, Culberson, N. C.	T. H. Crofts, Culberson, N. C.	1	2,000	20	1	2	1		70
Ebenezer	C. A. Hembree. Murphy, N. C.	W. J. Umphries, Murphy, N. C.	1	500	3	2			1	100
Fair View	C. F. Most, Murphy, N. C.	L. B. Baty, Ranger, N. C.	4		15		1	2	1	59
Friendship	C. F. Martin, Murphy, N. C.	J. W. Keenan, Suit, N. C.			6		4	5		107
Grape Creek	S. C. Mingus, Murphy, N. C.	W. C. Hall, Murphy, N. C.	4	1,000		1		3	3	103
Hiwassee	E. A. Beaver, Suit, N. C.	Paul Hogsed, Murphy, N. C.	3	550	2	1				62
Hopewell	W. T. Truitt, Culberson, N. C.	J. M. Moore, Culberson, N. C.	4	500	1		3			113
Mt. Moriah	T. P. Aaron, Culberson, N. C., R. D. 2	M. G. Balleu, Culberson, N. C., R. 2								105
Mt. Pleasant	W. T. Truitt, Culberson, N. C.	John Shields, Jr., Culberson, N. C.	7	500	15	6	3		1	137
Mt. Nebo	J. T. Dugan, Unoka, N. C.	James Dockey, Unaka, N. C.	3		17	1			1	73
New Prospect			3	500	11		3	7	3	115
Nottely	C. F. Martin, Murphy, N. C.	R. L. King, Murphy, N. C.	2		21	2	3		1	140
Pleasant Grove	C. A. Hembree, Murphy, N. C.	W. E. Payne, Birch, N. C.		500	8	1	7			85
Pleasant Hill	S. C. Linderman, Violet, N. C.	John Persimmon, Patrick, N. C.	2	1,000			1	9	1	72
Persimmon	J. L. Morrow, Culberson, N. C.	S. D. Stiles, Persimmon, N. C.	1	300	4	1		2	2	85
Shady Grove	W. T. Truitt, Culberson, N. C.	Gay Hawkins, Culberson, N. C.	3	500	14	2	1		1	89
Union	J. L. Morrow, Culberson, N. C.	T. B. Reese, Vest, N. C.	2	600	2		5			75
Oak Grove	C. F. Conley, Culberson, N. C.	W. C. Walker, Letitia, N. C.	2			2				12

B
206.9756
M66wel

MINUTES

OF THE

SEVENTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

West Liberty Association,

HELD WITH

EBENEZER CHURCH,

SIX MILES WEST OF MURPHY, N. C.

October 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th, 1923.

7B
7655

Next Session will be held with Mt. Pleasant Church Three Miles West of Culberson, N. C., Beginning on Thursday before the First Sunday in October, 1924.

Introductory Sermon by Rev. Robert Bell, Rev W. D. Hogsed, Allernate.

1923.
HARRELL'S PRINTING HOUSE,
Weldon, N. C.

MINUTES

OF THE

SEVENTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

West ⁂ Liberty ⁂ Association,

HELD WITH

EBENEZER CHURCH,

SIX MILES WEST OF MURPHY, N. C.

October 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th, 1923.

Next Session will be held with Mt. Pleasant Church Three Miles West of Culberson, N. C., Beginning on Thursday before the First Sunday in October, 1924.

Introductory Sermon by Rev. Robert Bell, Rev W. D. Hogsed, Alternate.

1923.
HARRELL'S PRINTING HOUSE,
Weldon, N. C.

OFFICERS.

Rev. W. D. Hogsed, ... Moderator.

A. L. Tippet, ... Vice-Moderator.

U. S. G. Phillips, ... Clerk.

I. P. Hawkins, ... Treasurer.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

U. S. G. Phillips, ... Unaka, N. C.

A. L. Tippet, ... Culberson, N. C.

J. T. Payne, ... Hiwassee, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS.

THURSDAY—Morning Session.

Thursday, October 4th, 1923.

The West Liberty Baptist Association according to appointment with the Church at Ebenezer six miles west of Murphy, N. C. Rev. C. A. Hembree preached the Introductory Sermon; the text was 2nd Thes., 2nd Chapter, 15th verse. Adjourned until 1 p. m. for refreshments.

FIRST DAY—Afternoon Session.

Reassembled at 1 p. m. House was called to order by the Vice-Moderator. Prayer by Rev. C. F. Conley. Appointed U. S. G. Phillips as Clerk pro. tem., and then appointed E. M. Hembree, B. L. Fox, Reading Clerks. Then called for letters of various churches of the West Liberty Association. After reading of the letters, the body went into permanent organization resulting as follows: W. D. Hogsed, Moderator; A. L. Tippet, Vice-Moderator; U. S. G. Phillips, Clerk, and I. P. Hawkins, Treasurer. M. J. Gladsom, Rob. Bell, C. A. Hembree as a Committee on New Churches.

Invitations were given visitors and received.

On Order of Business—J. T. Payne, A. L. Tippet B. L. Fox.

State Missions—I. P. Hawkins, S. C. Mingus, Chas. Camble.

Home Missions—G. E. Price, Rob. Bell and W. J. Umphries.

Foreign Missions—Rev. H. A. Hembree, W. H. Martin, Eli F. Dockery.

Orphanage—W. M. Gladsom, A. Y. Jones and S. A. Canall.

Pastor's Support—A. J. Williams, W. B. Ledford, E. C. Umphries.

State of Churches—I. P. Hawkins, J. F. Capehart, W. R. Ledford.

Temperance—C. A. Hembree, J. R. Roberson, B. L. Fox.

Committee on Preaching—W. J. Umphries, Eli F. Dockery, A. J. Williams, E. E. Umphries, I. P. Hawkins.

Committee on Order of Business read this report and it was adopted.

On motion that the new churches to-wit: Chapel Hill, Bates Creek and Mt. Olive with the delegates be received into the Association.

On motion adjourned until 9 a. m. to-morrow. Dismissed by Rev. C. A. Hembree. The church that was rejected was Mt. Olive, and it was not permitted to a membership in the Association.

SECOND DAY—Morning Session.

Friday, Oct. 5th, 1923.

Body met. Devotional Exercises by Rev. I. P. Hawkins. House was called to order by the Moderator. Invitation was given visitors. Letters of various churches called for. Journal of preceeding day read and adopted. On motion: That the Association take up the regular routine of business.

Christian Education—A. L. Tippet, E. M. Hembree, J. T. Payne.

Ministerial Relief—J. T. Payne, B. L. Fox, J. E. Munday.

Periodicals—J. T. Dockery, T. J. Roberts, Oliver Dockery.

Financial—W. J. Umphries, G. E. Rice.

Nominations—A. W. Hall, Chas. Camble, J. T. Dockery.

Hospitality—M. J. Gladsom, Rob. Robeson, E. M. Hembree.

Sunday Schools—Rob. Bell, C. A. Hembree, W. R. Ledford.

Deceased Members—W. J. Umphries, J. F. Capeheart, W. M. Gladsom.

The report on Home Missions read and adopted.

On motion that the three missions be discussed together, but read separately.

The report on Orphanage read and adopted after discussion by Rev. Rob. Bell, M. J. Gladsom, A. L. Tippet, Rev. W. D. Hogsed, J. T. Dockery.

The report on Temperance read and adopted after discussion by Rev. C. A. Hembree. Preaching at 11 o'clock a. m. by Rev. Rob. Bell. The text was Luke 7th Chapter, 14th verse. Adjourned until 1 p. m.

SECOND DAY—Afternoon Session.

Reassembled at 1 p. m. The house was called to order by the Moderator W. D. Hogsed. Then took up Temperance, it was discussed by I. P. Hawkins and W. D. Hogsed.

The report on Pastorial Support was read and adopted and discussed by Rev. C. A. Hembree and others.

The report on Christian Education was read and adopted

and discussed by E. M. Hembree, Rev. Rob Bell, M. J. Gladsom and U. S G. Phillips.

The report on State of Churches was read and adopted. Discussion by I. P. Hawkins, W. B. Ledford and W. D. Hogsed.

The report on State Missions was read and adopted.

On motion that we adjourn until to-morrow at 9 a. m. Benediction by Rev. I. P. Hawkins.

THIRD DAY—Morning Session.

Saturday, October 6th, 1923.

Devotional Exercises by Rev. C. A. Hembree. House called to order by the Moderator.

An invitation was given to visitors and received W. A. Adams from the Western North Carolina Association.

The report on Foreign Missions was read, adopted and discussed by Rev. C. A. Hembree, Rob. Bell, M. J. Gladsom and W. A. Adams. A collection was then taken up for the Orphanage at Thomasville. Amount $9.33.

On motion that Rev. Rob. Bell preach at 11 o'clock a, m. Text Mark 2nd Chapter 3rd verse. On motion that we adjourn until 1 p. m.

THIRD DAY—Afternoon Session.

Reassembled 1 p. m. House called to order by the Moderator. Report on Ministerial Relief read and adopted. Discussed by J. T. Payne, Rev. C. A. Hembree. W. A. Adams.

On motion that each church raise one dollar a month to be sent to Florence Coleman at Blue Ridge, and that the money be sent to U. S. G. Philips.

The Report on Finance was read and adopted. Amount $39 83.

The Report on Nomination was read and adopted.

The Report on Periodicals was read and adopted.

On motion that the Moderator appoint an Executive Committee: U. S. G. Phillips, A. L. Tippet and J. T. Payne.

On motion that the Moderator appoint Trustees for the Sylvia Collegiate Institute: J. T. Dockery, D. T. McNabb and M. J. Gladsom.

The Report on Hospitality read and adopted.

On motion that the Association pay U. S. G. Phillips for his services $8.00.

On motion that the Clerk and Moderator and W. J. Umphries have the power to go over the church letters and check

up the Delegates that had attended the Association. Then adjourned until to-morrow at 9 a. m. Dismissed by Rev. C. A. Hembree.

FOURTH DAY—Morning Session.

Sunday, Oct. 7th, 1923.

Body met. Devotional Exercises by Rev. J. T. Payne. The house was called to order by the Moderator

The report on Sunday Schools was read and adopted. Discussed by Rev. C. A. Hembree, J. T. Payne M. J. Gladsom, A. M. Ash, U. S. G. Phillips and W. D. Hogsed. Rev. C. A. Hembree at 10 o'clock a. m. Text Luke 1st Chapter. On motion that this Association stand adjourned until time and place set forth by the Committee on Nomination. See the Report.

Rev. W. D. Hogsed, Moderator.
U. S. G. Phillips, Clerk.

ROLL OF DELEGATES.

Beaverdam: U. S. G. Phillips, J. T. Dockery.
Bates Creek: A. M. Ashe, T. J. Roberts, E. M. Hembree.
Buck Knob: Not Reported.
Culberson: By Letter.
Chapel Hill: S. A. Carrol, John Graves, W. R. Graves.
Ebenezer: Elmer Umphries, W. J. Umphries, Eli F. Dockery, J. F. Capeheart.
Fairview: W. H. Martin, B. L. Fox.
Friendship: Not Represented.
Grape Creek: A. W. Hall, B. F. Roberts.
Hiwassee: S. C. Mingus, W. E. Lovingood Birt Hartness.
Hopewell: J. M. Payne, A. L. Tippet.
Liberty: Willie Ledford, C. L. Ledford.
Mt. Moriah: By Letter.
Mt. Olive: John Brown, Lum Deheart.
Mt. Pleasant: Rob. Bell, Ed. Mundy, W. M Gladsom, M. J. Gladsom.
Mt. Nebo: By Letter.
Macedonia: By Letter.
Mt. Varo: W. R. Ledford.
New Prospect: Not Represented.
Nottely: R. H. King.
Oak Grove: H. I. Taylor, L. J. Payne.
Pleasant Grove: W. D. Hogsed, Chas. Campbell.
Pleasant Hill: J T. Payne.

Persimmon Creek: Broadus Campbell, Devo Campbell.
Shady Grove: G. E. Rice, I. P. Hawkins, J. R. Robinson.
Shoal Creek: A. Z. James.
Union: A. J. Williamson.

OBITUARY.

Horace L. Williamson was born Sept. 19th, 1895, and departed this life June 18th, 1923, being 27 years and 9 months when death the last enemy removed him from this stage of action. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Williamson, and husband of Mintie Williamson. He was a good son, husband and father. He leaves father, mother, two brothers, two sisters and a wife and many friends to mourn their loss. His only child, Dorothy passed from this life to life eternal twelve days before Bro. Horace was called from us. She was waiting there to welcome Daddy to that happy heavenly home. Bro- Horace said before he died, If he was with his baby that he would be through suffering, and "God" saw best to call him home. Bro. Horace professed a hope in Christ. and joined the Union Baptist Church Aug. 1907, and remained a member until death, and we have no doubt if we all get to heaven we will find Bro. Horace there. It's hard for us to part with our loved ones, but all things work together for good to them that love "God" and are called according to his purpose. We look forward to the day when we will meet to part no more. Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord. Farewell loved one till we meet again.

A Friend.

Pleasant Hill Church has lost Sister Mary Burgess, age 74, wife of E. F. Burgess, lived a Christian life for many years and died as she lived a true Christian. Farewell loved ones till we meet again.

Sister Ada Johnson was born June 30th, 1880, departed this life Jan. the 1st, 1928. She was the daughter of Rev. W. D. and Josie Hogsed. Was married to Milton Johnson Aug. 4th, 1901. She left her husband and six children, father and mother, four brothers and five sisters, and a host of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. We trust our loss is heaven's gain. She professed a hope in Christ at the age of 12 years. She united with the Missionary Baptist Church at Pleasant Grove. After marriage she joined the Hiwassee Church. In that Cemetery her remains were laid to rest. She was a consistant member of the church for 31

years. She told her papa a few hours before she died there was not a thing in her way. Her illness was brief, taking sick Christmas day and died New Years day with Flue and Pneumonia. Farewell departed one for a while we miss thee in the home, we miss thee in the church. Every where we look there's a vacancy that can never be filled in this world; but our Heavenly Father knoweth best. We humbly submit to his righteous will, looking for the day when we too will be called up higher.

Pleasant Grove: Sister Mary, wife of Rev. M. S. Hall, born Dec. 27th, 1842, died June the 18th, 1923; a member in good standing for 60 or 61 years.

REPORTS.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

Resolved that this Association tender its thanks to the Ebenezer Baptist Church for the kind hospitality and courtesy shown the Delegates of West Liberty Association while in session. Respectfully Submitted,

J. R. Roberson,
E. M. Hembree,
Committee.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We your Committee on Temperance submit the following report: We are glad to report that the cause of intemperance is being greatly eliminated through the efforts of the churches and by the Temperance League, and by the strong arm of the law. We feel that the church is largely responsible for maintaining the law and enforcing the 18th amendment and Valstead Act, and we urge the churches to enforce a strict discipline against intemperance, and our ministers urge a relentless fight against the great evil, and also against so-called soft drinks which debauch manhood and ultimately lead to the use of stronger drinks, and is also a useless expenditure of money which could he used for the cause of Christ and humanity. Respectfully Submitted,

Charles Hembree,
B. L. Fox,
J. R. Robeson,
Committee.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The previous year has been the greatest in all the history of the board, and though there were retrencements in our force of workers, the past year in results was even greater. It was the greatest year in soul-saving and in the enlistment of our forces in the work of the Kingdom in advancement toward self support in so many of our fields, all of which is gratifying to us. G. E. Rice, Chairman.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We your Committee on Sunday Schools respectfully submit the following report: The Sunday School is the second great-

est institution on the earth for the promulgation of the Gospel of Christ. In it the minds of the young are trained for usefulness in the Master's cause. We urge that the church take a more active part in the work of the Sunday School. and see that it is supplied with Christian officers and good sound Baptist literature.

Robert Bell,
C. A. Hembree,
H. R. Ledford,
Committee,

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

We your Committee on Periodicals submit the following as a report: Seeing the great need of religious knowledge we recommend that the churches read the organs of our Convention, Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children, our Orphan Paper, Home and Foreign Field, our Mission Paper and keep apace with the interest of our great work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. Dockery.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

We your Committee on Orphanage beg to submit the following report: The Orphanage at Thomasville since its beginning has received 2097 children and has turned away about 12,000, thus it is seen that our orphanage has cared for only about one-sixth of those that need to be cared for. General Manager Kesler recommends certain improvements in his report, and we the Liberty Association heartily endorse his recommendation and pledge ourselves to assist in gathering funds to make the improvements possible, and as far as your committee can learn the Orphanage has been well run the last year. The health of the children has been fine and their work good. May God hasten the day when every widow and orphan of the Baptist faith can be taken care of and receive a Christian education.

Respectfully snbmitted,

W. M. Gladsom,
S. A. Carroll,
A. Z. Jones,
Committee.

REPORT ON PASTORIAL SUPPORT.

We your Committee on Pastorial Support submit the following report: We find that our country pastors are inade-

quately supported, in fact they receive less for services rendered than any other class of professional men. Even less than ordinary unskilled laborers We urge that they be supported sufficiently to enable them to give their full time to the work of the ministry. We further recommend that the churches form a field for work and employ them for full time; for it is written "They that preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel." The cause of Christ can never prosper as it should until this is done. This will enable them to better edify the churches and to win many souls for Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. Williamson,
Elmer Umphries,
W. B. Ledford,
Committee.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

We cannot afford to be indifferent to the religious interest of our public schools, longer terms, better qualified, teachers about whose religious and moral character, there can be no question worthy of serious consideration. In the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention there are 4,850,474 men and women, and children over ten years of age, who can neither read nor write. What a missionary opportunity at our own doors. There are thousands of our Baptist boys and girls being educated away from our church and the Bible in the wrong sort of schools. The most serious consideration should be given these with problems, Mars Hill College is loyal to the finest Christian ideals to our doctrine, to the Holy Bible, we find in our Christian schools the only solution of the most alarming menace to our denomination. They are worthy of our confidence, our prayers and our support.

Respectfully submitted,

A. L. Tippet,
E. M. Hembree,
J. T. Payne,
Committee.

REPORT ON STATE OF CHURCHES.

We your Committee on the State of the Churches belive that most all of our churches are becoming more deeply interested in real church work by paying their pastors better salaries and by uniting with them in praying for lost souls,

and therefore recommends that we as Christians put forth a still greater effort to bring lost souls to Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. Capeheart,
W. R. Ledford,
I. P. Hawkins,
Committee.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

We your Committee on State Missions in the absence of statistics for this year quote from last year as follows: There was about 210 Missionary Pastors in the employ of the State Mission Board who served 350 churches and mission stations. These men were paid from $5.00 to $175.00 per month. The pay roll was about $5,000.00 per month for the Missionaries alone. We were also assisting in the payment of the salary of almost every man at a college or school center. We believe it is vitally important to have a strong preacher and pastor heard by every school whether it be State Baptist, farm life, or country school, or the great University in the Counties of Hyde and Dare there was only one Baptist Pastor in each, and the State Mission Board pays the salary of one and half the salary of the other. These counties could not have Baptist preaching were it not for the help of the State Mission Board.

Department of Sunday Schools: We have a Secretary, two field Secretaries and one elementary worker. We are making great progress in Sunday School organization and teacher training. We have 2225 Baptist Sunday Schools in North Carolina, while we have a little less than 2300 Baptist churches.

Baptist Young People's Union: The work is growing in a marvelous way, we now have over 800 Unions in the State and they are being organized rapidly and in great numbers. We are training young church members in the B. Y. P. U, that will do great work for the Lord.

Respectfully submitted,

I. P. Hawkins,
S. C. Mingus,
Charles Campbell,
Committee.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

We your Committee on Finance beg leave to submit the

following report: Money raised for minutes from the churches amounted to $39.83

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. Umphries,
G. E. Rice.
Committee.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We your Committee on Foreign Missions submit the following report: Our work on the foreign fields has been most gratifying. Our Foreign Mission Board has been able to enter six new fields, and reports show a total of 34,334 baptisms. A gain of 386 churches, 38 self-supporting churches, 1800 out stations, 53,666 members. These churches on the foreign field have contributed $264.196. We have 687 Sunday Schools, with 31,292 pupils. We have 229 American Missionaries, 68 Missionary residences. 284 Mission Schools, 17,062 pupils, also 7 Theological Schools and 112 Theological students. We have 9 Hospitals. We also find that the Foreign Mission Board have been forced to borrow $400,000 from the banks to carry on this work, therefore we earnestly urge of our churches to pay their pledges to the $75,000,000 campaign. We also urge our pastors to continue to preach on the importance of supporting this most worthy cause.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. Hembree, Chairman.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

We your Committe on Ministerial Relief report the following: While our aged ministers are not as well supported as they should be, the State Board is doing every thing in its power to sustain them in their declining years. It is our duty as churches and Christians to come to their relief, ever remembering that they have suffered many hardships and privations to give us the Gospel.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. Payne, Chairman.

REPORT ON DECEASED MEMBERS.

We your Committee on Deceased Members submit the following report: Beaverdam 1; Liberty 1; Ebenezer, Bro. J. R. McDonald, 1; Hiwassee 1; Union 5; The Culberson Mis-

sion Hill 7; Pleasant Grove 3; Mt. Vernon 4; Pleasant Hill, Mary Burgess. 1 —Total 23.

W. J. Umphries, Chairman.
W. M. Gladsom.
Committeee.

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS.

We your Committee on Nominations submit the following report: That the next session of this body convene with the church at Mt. Pleasant 3 miles west of Culberson, N. C., beginning Thursday before the 1st Sunday in Oct. 1924. Introductory Sermon by Rev. Robert Bell, Rev. W. D. Hogsed, alternate. Respectfully submitted,

J. T. Dockery,
W. J. Umphries,
Committee.

TABLE I—STATISTICAL

CHURCH.	PASTORS AND POSTOFFICE.	CLERK AND POSTOFFICE.	TREASURER AND POSTOFFICE.	Time of Preaching	Value of Church Property.	Value of Pastor's Home.	GAINS			LOSSES			Total Membership.
							By Baptism.	By Letter.	By Restoration.	By Letter.	By Exclusion.	By Death.	
Beaverdam	C A Hembree, Murphy	U S G Phillips, Unaka	U S G Phillips, Unaka	2nd	$ 500 00	$	--	1	1	6	6	1	172
Bate's Creek	C A Hembree, Murphy	E M Hembree, Murphy		3rd	50 00								28
Chapel Hill	C A Hembree, Murphy	Elsie Graves, Murphy		4th			6	14	--	2	--	--	18
Ebenezer	C A Hembree, Murphy	W J Umphries, Murphy	W J Umphries, Murphy	1st	500 00		--	1	--	8	--	1	90
Fair View	C F Martin, Murphy	D B Baety, Ranger		4th									59
Grape Creek	C A Hembree, Murphy	Joseph Coleman, Murphy		4th	1000 00		4	--	--	7	--	--	85
Hiwassee	E A Beavers, Suits	P C Hogsed, Murphy		3rd	500 00		--	2	--	--	--	1	61
Liberty	L N Marr, Turtle Town, Tenn	J M Kimsey, Turtle Town, Tenn		1st	500 00		7	--	--	2	1	1	72
Masadonia	R A Helton, Culberson	J W Helton, Issabella, Tenn		1st	1500 00		8	6	2	2	3	--	
Mt Vernon	W S Simonds, Wehutley	W R Ledford, Wehutty		2nd	300 00		14	--	--	--	--	--	122
Mt Moriah	J P Aaron, Culberson	J N Bell Culberson					10	--	--	1	--	--	
Mt Nottely	J T Dugan, Unaka	C W Dockery, Grand View		3rd					1	--	--	--	75
Nottely	C F Conley, Blairsville	Jesse Robeson, Murphy		2nd	400 00		8	6	--	4	--	4	125
Oak Grove	W D Hogsed, Birch	W E Walker, Jr, Letitia		2nd			--	4	--	--	--	--	18
Pleasant Hill	J P Decker, Suit	John Picklesimer, Patrick		2nd	1000 00		9	3	--	4	1	1	77
Pleasant Grove	W D Hogsed, Birch	W E Payne, Birch		4th	500 00		15	1	4	5	2	3	130
Persimmon Creek	John Decker, Suit	Dewrs Rogers, Persimmon Creek		1st	300 00		11	1	1	1	--	1	67
Shoal Creek	G W Passmore, Turtle	J H Suit, Pastelle											
Union	E A Beavers, Suit	Ben Reese, Vests	A G Williamson, Vests	2nd	600 00		2	2	1	5	1	5	73
Culberson	Robert Bell, Culberson	Buford Mason, Culberson		1st									
Mt Pleasant	Robert Bell, Culberson	J H Shields, Culberson	E M Rice, Culberson	2nd									
Shady Grove	Robert Bell, Culberson	G E Rice, Culberson		3rd	400 00	1000 00	21	8	--	18	--	7	426
Hopewell	Robert Bell, Culberson	J M Moore, Culberson		4th									
Friendship	C F Martin, Murphy	L F Wood, Suit										2	

TABLE II—FINANCIAL.

CHURCH.	Pastor's Salary.	Other Salaries.	Ministerial Help	Building and Repairs	Incidentals.	S. S. and B. Y. U. Expenses.	Local Poor.	Minute Fund, etc.	Home Total.	75 Million (Undesignated.)	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	State and Associational Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Relief.	Other Benevolences.	Grand Total.
Beaverdam	$ 125 50	$	$	$	$	$25 00	$	$ 3 00	$ 153 50	$14 25	$	$	$	$18 10	$	$	$ 185 85
Bates Creek								1 50	1 5								1 50
Chapel Hill	17 80		4 80			4 50		1 00	84 60								190 20
Ebenezer	75 40	6 55						3 10	84 85			4 60					94 85
Fairview	50 00					6 00		1 50	57 50		1 00	10 00	1 00	2 00			62 50
Grape Creek	67 55		3 70			5 00	2 50	1 40	79 15			1 00		6 50			80 65
Hiwassee	16 85							1 25	17 10					80			17 90
Liberty	47 47		1 97					1 59	51 93								52 93
Macadonia								50	50			1 00					50
Mt Vernon	29 38		16 43					2 17	47 98								47 98
Mt Moriah	26 65		8 00					1 50	36 15					3 50			65 63
Mt Nebo	30 00		25 00			10 00		1 00	66 00			29 48					66 00
Nottely	60 00					15 00		1 75	76 75								86 75
Oak Grove	60 00				4 15			1 25	55 40			10 00					65 40
Pleasant Hill	20 48					10 00		1 45	31 93								31 93
Persimmon Creek	72 00					10 00		2 00	84 00								84 00
Pleasant Grove	81 50		10 00				15 00	1 50	108 00								108 00
Shoal Creek	34 42					12 00		2 00	48 42								48 42
Union	35 22		14 00			18 00		1 50	68 72							35 00	103 72
Culberson																	
Mt Pleasant				124 00	16 00	36 00		8 25			17 70	17 70	17 70	13 47	3 75	4 60	983 92
Holy Grove	724 00																
Hopewell																	
Friendship	61 10							1 65						4 37			

TABLE III—SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

CHURCH.	SUPERINTENDENT AND POSTOFFICE.	SECRETARY AND POSTOFFICE.	ENROLLMENT MAIN SCHOOL							MISCELLANEOUS.		
			Officers and Teachers.	Beginners 3 to 5.	Primary 6 to 8.	Junior 9 to 12.	Intermediate 13 to 16	Senior & Adult 17 and up.	TOTAL.	Baptisms from School.	Contributions for Home Expenses.	TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS.
Beaverdam	M F Farmer, Unaka	Geo Crawford, Unaka	5	10	10	10	18	30	83		$ 25 00	$ 25 00
Bates Creek											4 60	4 60
Chapel Hill									30		4 60	4 60
Ebenezer	J F Capeheart, Murphy	Frank Bryson, Murphy	6	8	15	15		15	59		10 00	10 00
Fair View	B L Fox, Ranger	S S Akin, Ranger	4						50		5 00	6 00
Grape Creek	Joseph Coleman, Murphy	Janie Hall, Murphy	3						50	3	5 00	5 00
Hiwassa												
Liberty												
Macadona												
Mt Vernon												
Mt Moriah												
Mt Nebo	J T Dockery, Grandville	B T Radford, Grandville	4	30		20		12	66		10 00	10 00
Nottely	Ruth McClung, Murphy	F P Loudermilk, Murphy							50		15 00	15 00
Oak Grove	H I Taylor, Letitia	W C Walker, Jr., Letitia	7						47			
Pleasant Hill	J T Payne, Patrick	K W Shearer, Hiwassee	7						47		10 00	10 00
Persimmon Creek	B Campbell, Persimmon	Lida Stiles	6	8		10	20		50		10 00	10 00
Pleasant Grove												
Shoal Creek	J H Suit, Postelle	Emma Jones, Postelle	9						60		12 00	12 00
Union	A J Williamson, Vests	Ella Johnson, Vests									18 00	18 00
Culberson	L W Shields, Culberson	Miss Relia Hyatt, Culberson	29						100			
Mt. Pleasant	W M Gladsom, Culberson	Nora Gladsom, Culberson										
Shady Grove	E G Hawkins, Culberson	W E Rice, Culberson										
Hopewell	J M Bryant, Culberson	Miss Luella Jenkins, Culberson										
Friendship	D C McNabb, Suit	Etie Pope, Suit	8						60			

B
206.9756
M66weL

MINUTES

OF THE

Seventy-Third Annual Session

OF THE

West Liberty Association

HELD WITH Mt. PLEASANT CHURCH, THREE MILES WEST OF CULBERSON. N. C.
Oct. 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th, 1924.

Next Session will be held with Mt. Moriah Church, four miles west of Sweet Gum, Ga., beginning Thursday before the 1st Sunday in Oct. 1925.

Introductory Sermon by Rev. J. P. Aaron, Rev. J. L. Morrow alternate,

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION

Thursday, October 2nd, 1924.

The West Liberty Baptist Asociation met according to appointment with the Church at Mt. Pleasant 3 miles west of Culberson, N. C. Rev. Robert Bell preached the introductory Sermon, the text was II. Timothy 4th Chapter, second verse, then adjourned until 1:00 P. M. for refreshments.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Reassembled at 1. P. M. House was called to order by the Moderator. Prayer by I. P. Hawkins, then appointed Ralph Shields as Clerk pro-tem and J. T. L. Hartness and Joe Coleman Reading Clerks. Then called for letters of various churches of the West Liberty Association. After reading of the letters the body went into permanent organization, resulting as follows: Rev. W. D. Hogsed, Moderator; Rev. Robert Bell, Vice-Moderator; Ralph Shields, Clerk; I. P. Hawkins, Treasurer. Invitation was given visitors and received none. Then the following Committees were appointed: On Order of Business, J. T. L. Hartness, A. L. Tippett, J. S. Shields. State Missions, I. P. Hawkins, Robert Bell, Ira Helton. Home Missions, Robert Bell, C. S. Burger, J. J. Roberson. Foreign Missions, M. J. Gladson, J. T. Dockery, B. T. Helton. Orphanage, Joe Coleman, M. F. Farmer, W. L. McNabb. Pastors Support, W. M. Gladson, I. P. Hawkins, J. L. Arp. State of Churches, Geo. Crawford, J. T. Dockery, J. B. Moss. Temperence, W. D. Hogsed, J. T. Dockery, A. L. Tippett. Committee on Preaching, J. S. Shields, B. T. Helton, W. M. Gladson. Committee on Order of Business read their report and adopted as read. On motion adjourned until 9 A. M. tomorrow. Benediction by Rev. Robert Bell.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION

Friday, October 3rd, 1924.

Body met, devotional exercise by Rev. Robert Bell House called to order by Moderator. Invitation was given for visitors and received Rev. R. L. Randolph from Tennessee River Association. Journal of preceding day read and adopted. Then letters of various churches called for and read. On motion that the Association take up the regular routine of business.

Christian Education, R. L. Randolph, A. Rice, B. L. Fox.

Ministeral Relief, M. J. Gladson, W. F. Anderson, C. S. Burger.

Periodicals, R. L. Randolph, W. L. McNabb, R. M. Shields.

Financial, W. L. McNabb, B. T. Helton.

Nominations, Robert Bell, Joe Coleman, J. L. Arp.

Hospitality, W. M. Gladson, I. A. Shields, J. S. Shields.

Sunday Schools, Robert Bell, Rev. R. L. Randolph.

Deceased Members, Robert Bell, C. S. Burger, W. M. Gladson.

The report on State Missions read and adopted after discussion by Robert Bell, R. L. Randolph.

The report of Foreign Missions read and adopted after dis-

cussion by M. J. Gladson. Invitation was given for visitors and received Rev. T. L. Sasser and Rev. McGuire from the Western North Carolina Association. Afterwards prayer and discussion by Rev. McGuire on Mission work in China. Then adjourned until 1 P. M. for refreshments.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Reassembled at 1. P. M. House called to order by the Moderator. The report on Periodicals read and adopted after discussion by R. L. Randolph, T. L. Sasser, W. D. Hogsed.

The report on Home Missions read and adopted after discussion by T. L. Sasser, R. L. Randolph.

On motion that we discuss the 75 Million Campaign at the 11 o'clock tomorrow Committe on report of same Rev. R. L. Randolph, Rev. T. L. Sasser. The report on Temperance read and adopted after discussion by A. L. Tippett, J. T. Dockery, W. D. Hogsed. Motion to adjourn until 9 A. M. tomorrow. Benediction by J. T. Dockery.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION

Saturday, October 4th, 1924.

Body met, devotional exercise by Rev. R. L. Randolph. House called to order by the Moderator. An invitation was given visitors and received none. Then called for letter of the various churches and read. The report on Orphanage read and adopted after discussion by Robert Bell, M. F. Farmer, R. L. Randolph and others. Then a collection was taken for the Orphanage at Thomasville, and received $14.00. The report on Christian Education read and adopted after discussion by Robert Bell, Rev. N. O. Kilpatrick and others. Song by the congregation and prayer by Rev. R. L. Randolph. Then report on the 75 Million Campaign read and adopted after discussion by Rev. R. L. Randolph and others. Then adjourned until 1 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Reassembled at 1. P. M. House called to order by the Moderator. Report on State of Churches read and adopted after discussion by J. T. Dockery, Rev. N. O. Kilpatrick and others. Report on Ministeral Relief read and adopted after discussion by M. J. Gladson, I. P. Hawkins. On motion that the Moderator appoint an executive committee A. L. Tippett, J. M. Payne, J. T. Dockery. Report on Sunday School read and adopted, on motion that this question be discussed tomorrow after Sunday school.

The report on Deceased Members read and adopted after discussion by I. P. Hawkins, A. L. Tippett. Then taken up a collection for printing of an obituary for Rev. J. F. McGee and received $3.00. The report on Nominations read and adopted. On motion to appoint Rev. N. O. Kilpatrick as Associational Director for the B. Y. P. U. work. Report on Finance read and adopted, amount $32.50. On Motion that the Association pay the Clerk $8.00 for his service. Motion to adjourn until 9 A. M. tomorrow.

FOURTH DAY—MORNING SESSION

Sunday, October 5th, 1924.

Body met, devotional exercise by Rev. W. D. Hogsed. The house was called to order by the Moderator. Journal of preceding day read and adopted as read. Then the subject of Sunday Schools was discused by Rev. Robert Bell, Rev. John Farmer, A. Rice and others. On motion that the Association appoint a Committee for erecting of a monument to the graves of Rev. J. F. McGee and Rev. B. M. Ledford. Rev. Robert Bell preached a noble sermon at 11 o'clock A. M. On motion that this Association stand adjourned until time and place set forth by the Comittee on Nomination. (See the Report.)

REV. W. D. HOGSED, Moderator.
RALPH SHIELDS, Clerk.

ROLL OF DELEGATES

BEAVERDAM—U. S. G. Phillips, Geo. Crawford, John Mars, John Coleman, M. F. Farmer.

CULBERSON—Rev. N. O. Kilpatrick, J. F. Foster, Pink Louder-milk, Rebecca Johnson.

CHAPEL HILL—John Graves, T. C. Graves, Elsie Graves.

FAIRVIEW—B. L. Fox, W. H. Martin, S. S. Akin, Floyd Evans, Beatrice Fox.

FRIENDSHIP—W. L. McNabb, M. M. Burger, J. F. Wood, J. J. Rose, Cora McNabb.

GRAPE CREEK—A. W. Hall, Joseph Coleman, B. F. Coleman, H. Worley.

HOPEWELL—A. Rice, A. L. Tippett, J. M. Payne, Gussie Bryant, Mary Payne, Myrtle Bryant.

LIBERTY—W. B. Ledford, M. C. Dorlon, James Dobkins, Lenis Ledford, L. N. Marr.

Mt. MORIAH—H. R. Golden, Homer Gaddis, Alonzo Gaddis.

MT. OLIVE—By letter.

MT. PLEASANT—Ralph Shields, Emory Gladson, B. T. Helton, Fionnie Denton.

MT. NEBO—J. T. Dockery, J. U. Farmer, R. P. Radford, Fred Radford.

MACEDONIA—By letter.

MT. VERNOR—P. S. Ledford, Jim Pawell, W. R. Ledford.

NOTLA—Jessie Roberson, C. C. King, L. W. Ballew, H. M. Hughes.

OAK GROVE—L. P. Payne, E. W. Taylor, W. C. Walker, H. I. Taylor.

PLEASANT GROVE—Rev. W. D. Hogsed, J. T. Tate, Fred Stiles, Person Campbell.

PLEASANT HILL—Jeter Baues, Isem Picklesimer, Frank Deaver, John Picklesimer.

SHADY GROVE—G. E. Rice, J. T. L. Hartness, I. P. Hawkins, S. C. Burger, E. B. Barbe, J. L. Arp.

UNION—J. H. Payne, A. J. Williamson, W. H. Reese, J. P.

Decker.

OBITUARIES

Rev. J. F. McGee

On Sunday morning, February the 24, 1924, Rev. J. F. McGee closed his life on earth to enter a richer and fuller life in the house not made with hands, eteranl in the heavens. Brother McGee was in his 82nd year and was the oldest Baptist minister in the West Liberty Association. He had been on the brink of the river for some years before the boatman came and took him across. He was an active minister of the Gospel for more than fifty-five years. He is now enjoying that rest which he so much merited. To know him was to love him. He was a true and tried Missionary Baptist. He is survived by three sons and three daughters, a wide range of relatives and a host of friends. The writer has known him for over twenty-five years and has always found him standing for the best interest and promotion of the cause he represented. Very few men in our state have lived to greater purpose than did Brother McGee. As our mind runs back we can recall many important points at which this valiant soldier of the Cross has planted the standard of salvation. He was one of the pioneer Baptist preachers when this country was in its infancy. He preached when the Baptists were few in number, without worldly goods or community prestige and on and on we might go following the trail of this prephet of the Lord as he held meetings all throughout this part of the coutry and preached the gospel with force and fearlessness. For his service he received small renumeration because prachers were paid but meage compensation in those days but while his reward was not much in material things he laid up treasure in heaven and has now entered upon that inheritance which is incorruptible, undefiled and that fadeth not away. Brother McGee was always a denominational man. He loved his brethern and stood squarely for our organized work until ill health prevented him from doing so. He was a regular attendant upon the sessions of the Liberty Association of which he was moderator for a number of years. Few men have been a greater power in the association that J. F. McGee. His loyalty, his wisdom, and his efforts have for the past fifty years been a great benefactor in the association. He rejoiced in the work and found especial pleasure doing as Paul suggested to Barnabas, namely visiting the brethren in every place where he had preached the word of the Lord to see how they were progrssing. Brother McGee's sermons will be remembered for their impressive simplicity and convincing power while the memory of his personal pastoral visits will linger as a recollection of the truest intimacy of friendship. We do not know of any one to whom the scripture applies so well, "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, they rest from their labors and their works do follow them." He could well use the language of Paul to Timothy, when he said: "For I am now ready to be offered and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight,

I have finished my course, I have kept the faith, henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord the righteous judge shall give me at that day." With his labors ended what a moment of inexpressable joy was when he entered into the presence of his Lord and heard from the lips of that Master whom he had so faithfully served the words: "Well done good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joys of thy Lord."

Written by A. L. TIPPETT.

Mrs. W. G. Payne departed this life February 19th, 1924, at the ripe age of 82 years and 6 months. Before her marriage she was Catherine Pate. She was the mother of 7 children. Hers was a long and useful life, a member of the Baptist Church for more than 60 years. Her life was one of loving service to others. Her family, her friends, her church, felt the inspiration of her consecrated life, nor utterable loss of such a mother, such a friend, such a companion. Truly her works praise her in the Gates.

Millard V. Johnson was born July 1st, 1905, and departed this life December 22nd, 1923, being 18 years old.

He joined the Baptist Church at Union September, 1919, and lived a Christian life until death the last enemy came and called Brother Milard, and we believe he is in heaven, not dead but asleep in Jesus. He had two sisters to pass from this world about seven months before his death and that was a happy meeting when brother and sisters met in Heaven.

He left a father and mother, one sister and four brothers, and many relatives and friends to mourn their loss. But we hope our loss is Heaven's gain. So, father, mother, brothers and sister, don't grieve about Millard. If you want to meet his bright face again live a life that you will gain Heaven. Farewell, loved one, till we meet again.

A FRIEND.

Fairview Baptist Church lost one member by death, Brother E. B. Akin. born October 6th, 1863. Whereas, God in His infinite goodness and wisdom saw fit to take from our midst Brother Akin. He professed faith in Christ at about the age of 12 years, soon afterwards joined the Baptist Church and ever lived a true and faithful member, and whereas Fairview Baptist Church feels keenly the loss of this loyal member, who held in high esteem and Christian respect, whom God in His goodness called from our midst on August 18th, 1924. Farewell, loved one, till we meet again.

REPORTS

REPORT ON RESOLUTION OF THANKS

Resolved that this Association tender its thanks to the Mt. Pleasant Church for the kind hospitality chown the delegates of this body.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

We your committee on Temperance submit the following report: We are glad to report that the cause of intemperance is being greatly eliminated through the effort of the churches and by the strong

arm of the law. We feel that the church is largely responsible for maintaining the law, and enforcing the 18th Amendment and Volstead Act, and we urge the churches to enforce a stirct discipline against intemperance and that our ministers make a strong fight against the evil of strong drink. Respectfully submitted.

GEO. CRAWFORD,
J. T. DOCKERY,
A. L. TIPPETT.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

We your committee on Home Missions submit the following report: Our Home Mission forces have organized 1,095 new churches, built 2,225 church houses, baptized 203,532 since the beginning of the campaign to May 1st. 1924. This is encouraging and ought to inspire every Baptist to pay his campaign pledge and more if possible. Respectfully submitted.

REV. ROBERT BELL, Chm.,
REV. C. S. BURGER,
J. J. ROBERSON.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

We your committee on Sunday Schools submit the following report: The Sunday school is doing a great work in disseminating the knowledge of Holy Writ. It is rightly termed the teaching service of the church. Therefore, we urge that our churches select spirit-filled and trained officers and teachers to lead in this great work, and that organization and grading the Sunday schools meet the standard of our Sunday School Board, or as near as possible. Further we urge that the "Normal Manual" be taught in all our Sunday schools in order that all may know the Standard. Respectfully submitted.

REV. ROBERT BELL,
REV. R. L. RANDOLPH,
Committee.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS

We your committee on Periodicals submit the following report: We ask that all Baptists read some organ of our Baptist Literature, Such as the Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children, Home and Foreign Fields, so that they may keep in touch with the great work of the Master.

Respectfully Submitted,

Committee

REPORT ON FINANCE

We your committee on Finance submit the following report: Money raised for Minutes from the churches amounted to $32.50.

Respectfully submitted.

W. L. McNABB,
B. T. HELTON, Committee.

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS

We your committee on Nominations submit the following report: That the next session of this body convene with the Mt. Moriah Church 4 miles west of Sweet Gum, Ga., beginning Thursday before the 1st Sunday in October, 1924. Introductory sermon by Rev. J. P. Aaron, Rev J. L. Morrow, alternate.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. ROBERT BELL,
J. I. ARP, Committee.

REPORT ON DECEASED MEMBERS

We your committee on Deceased Members submit the following report: Mt. Olive 1, Hopewell 2, Grape Creek 1, Shady Grove 1, Friendship 1, Pleasant Grove 4, Fairview 1, Mt. Moriah 1, Culberson 3, Mt. Vernon 1, Liberty 1, Union 2, Beaverdam 2. Total 21.

REV. ROBERT BELL, Chm.,
REV. C. S. BURGER,
W. M. GLADSON, Committee.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF

him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me," said

We your comittee on Ministerial Relief submit the following report: Among the things which the campaign has enabled the Relief Board to do for the aged Baptist Ministers of the South and dependent ones, provided aid and comfort for retired preachers, either from disability or old age, the amount of $538,544.96 up to May 1st, 1924. This is far more than Southern Baptists had done for Ministerial Relief in all the years prior to the launching of the campaign. Respectfully submitted.

M. J. GLADSON, Chairman,
W. F. ANDERSON,
C. S. BURGER, Committee.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

We your comittee on Foreign Missions submit the following report: The result of our Foreign Mission work is very inspiring and gratifying. The number of countries operated in have increased since 1919 from 9 to 17, have added 128,000,000 to our possible missionary audience. Churches have increased from 505 to 1,095 and all other interests have increased proportionately. This ought to encourage us to increase our gifts to Foreign Missions. This is the test of real discipleship to the Christ. "If any man will come after me let Jesus to his followers. Respectfully submitted.

REV. M. J. GLADSON,
J. T. DOCKERY,
B. T. HELTON, Committee.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

The Baptist State Convention was conceived in the consecrated brain of Martin Ross. The convention was organized at Greenville, N. C., on March 26th, 1830.

When the convention was organized there were 15,000 Baptists

in the state white and colored. Now there are 340,000 white Baptists, and 230,000 negro Baptists, making a tota lof 570,000 our of a population of 3,500,000. We have baptized 100,000 into our churches since 1919. There are 64 Associations, 2,263 churches, 2,175 Sunday schools, 1,365 B. Y. P. U.'s. There are 1,300 churches without a B. Y. P. U. There are 1,998 country churches in the State. We paid in for State Missions from December 1st, 1923, to May 1st, 1924, $403,315.88. State Missions gets about 13 cents out of every dollar paid to the campaign. In the 1925 program we are to get 20 cents out of every dollar.

We had August 1st, a debt on the running account of State Missions of $70,000. The building fund is overwhelmed with applications. The Board could use a quarter of a million dollars next year and not have enough. Therefore, we urge that every Baptist increase his gifts to Mission causes. Our love is measured by our gifts. So let us give much and measure our fidelity large.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. ROBERT BELL, Chm.,
REV. R. A. HELTON,
I. P. HAWKINS.

REPORT ON STATE OF CHURCHES

We your comittee on State of Churches submit the following report: After hearing the letters of the various churches we regret to report a spiritual decline in the churches. We find that pastors' salaries are lower this year than last. We also find a decline in addition to the churches. We prayerfully recommend that all the churches awake to their Christian duty, and let their lights shine to a lost world. Respectfully submitted.

J. T. DOCKERY,
GEO. CRAWFORD,
J. B. MOSS, Committee.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We your committee on Christian Education submit the following report: When we come to the consideration of Christian Education, we are at the tap-root of civilization. The success or failure of our civic and religious life depends in a large measure upon our schools. Given an education our constituency is made more competent to make bothe material and spiritual progress. Our denomination foresaw the great need of a trained ministry as leaders of our cause. Thus early in the morning of our state and denominational work there was established various schools looking to the training of our youths in Christian principles. Wake Forest was established nearly a century ago, and soon thereafter Meridith.

As Baptists we should rally round the standard set by our schools supported b your denomination. Especially would we appeal for hearty support of our Sylva Collegiate Institute, at Sylva, N. C. Send your boys and girls there. Then when they have completed that school send them on to Mars Hill, and from there on to Wake Forest

and Meridith. Respectfully submitted.

REV. R. L. RANDOLPH, Chm.
A. RICE,
B. L. FOX.

REPORT ON PASTORIAL SUPPORT

We your committee on Pastorial Support submit the following report: We find that our country pastors are inadequately supported, in fact they receive less for services rendered than any other class of profesional men, even less than ordinary skilled laborers. We urge that they be supported sufficiently to enable them to give their full ttime to the work of the ministry. This will enable them to better edify the churches and to win many souls for Jesus Christ. Respectfuly submitted.

W. M. GLADSON,
I. P. HAWKINS,
J. L. ARP, Committee.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

We your comittee on Orphanage submit the following report: We have made provisions to care for 4,000 orphan boys and girls. Two new orphanages have been established. There has been an expenditure of $1,285,910.17 to better equip the 19 orphan homes, $2,942,482.57 in clothing, feeding an deducating these helpless boys and girls for Christian citizenship, an accumulated indebtedness of $196,458.50 has been wiped out. There has been an investment of $40,114.63 in endowment. In spite of all this vast expenditure to take care of orphans, many have been turned away every year. May we have cause to rejoice over a larger provision for this worthy cause in the future. Respectfully submitted.

W. L. McNABB, Chm.,
JOE COLEMAN,
W. F. FARMER,
Committee.

STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches	Pastors and Postoffices	Clerks and Postoffices	Treasurer and
Beaverdam	C. F. Martin, Murpho, N. C.	U. S. G. Phillips, Unaka, N. C.	U. S. G. Phillips
Chapel Hill	R. C. Cornwell, Grandview	Elsie Graves, Murphy	
Fairview	W. D. Hogsed, Birch	D. B. Baity, Ranger	
Grape Creek	J. P. Decker, Suit	Joseph C Lemar, Murphy	
Liberty	L. N. Marr, Turtletown, Tenn.	J. L. Kimsey, Tuttletown, Tenn.	
Macedonia	Nute Marr, Isabella, Tenn	P W. Helton, Isabella	
Mt. Vernon		W R Radford, Wehutty, N. C.	
Mt. Moriah	J. P. Aaron,	Edith Wallace, Culderson	
Notla	C. F. Coley, Blairsville, Ga.	R. H. King, Murphy	
Oak Grove	W. D. Hogsed, Birch	L. P. Payne, Letitia	
Pleasant Grove	W. D Hogsed, Birch	G. I. Hogsed, Birch	
Union	L. N. Marr, Turtletown, Tenn.	W. H. Reese, Vests	Thos. Payne, Birch
Culberson	Roberi Bell, Culberson, N. C.	Robert Foster Culberson	A. J. Williamson
Mt. Pleasant	Robert Bell,	Emory Gladson, Culberson	
Shady Grove	Robert Bell,	G. E. Rice, Culberson	
Hopewell	Robert Bell,	Myrtle Bryant, Culberson	I. P. Hawkins, Culberson
Friendship	J. P. Decker, Suit	J. W. Keenum, Suit	
Pleasant Hill	John Decker, Suit	K. W. Sherer, Hiwassee	
Mt. Nebo	E. A. Beaver	H. V Radford, Grandview	
Mt. Olive	Ira Helton, Culberson	Ellen Dehart, Wehutty	

FINANCIAL TABLE

isterial Help	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. and B. Y. P. U. Expenses	Local Poor	Minute Fund, etc.	HOME TOTAL
5 00	.....	.....	....	8.56	2.35	100.66
4.00	....	....	1.50	....	1.00	24.40
....	.....	....	....	....	1.25	34.54
5.00	.....	....	....	....	.75	28.07
5.25	.....	....	....	13.50	2.26	101.48
....	.....	....	....	....	1,15	.....
1.10	.....	....	....	....	2.10	3.30
....	72.00	2,00	10.00	....	1.25	115.25
....	.....	....	....	....	....	50.00
7.96	.....	....	....	....	1.50	61.46
8.00	.....	....	....	....	2.40	59.60
9.00	36.00	3.00	10.00	....	1,50	108.05
....	30.00	....	10.00	15.00	1.50	124.50
8.00	.....	....	9.00	....	1.75	120.05
30.00	.....	....	15.60	....	1.95	131.55
....	.....	2.50	10.00	....	2.00	136.00
43.85	.....	....	8.02	10.40	2.00	108.77
15.00	8.00	....	8.00	9.00	.65	51.55
14,28	.....	....	10.00	....	2.40	75.88
23.91	20.10	....		....	1.00	57.19

	CHURCH	POSTOFFICE	PASTOR	CLERK	S. S. SUPT.	Meeting Sunday	Members	G Baptisms
1	Andrews	Andrews	L. P. Smith	Geo. W. Kimsey	Clyde H. Jarrett	F	532	1
2	Bethabara	Shooting Creek	H. G. Silver	Theo. Davenport	Theo. Davenport	3	98	
3	Fire's Creek	Hayesville	A. O. Price	C. M. Brindle	B. C Bradshaw	2	81	
4	Hanging Dog	Grandview	C. F. Martin (1)	C. C. Hass	A. T Kephart	4	302	1
5	Hayesville	Hayesville	H. H. Hyde	C. Z. Swanson	W. J Winchester	1,3	200	
6	Little Brasstown	Brasstown	J. H. Brown (2)	Harve Carringer	John Deal	2	164	
7	Marble Springs	Marble	Algia West	J. L. Robinson	J. B. Hall	1,3	370	7
8	Martin's Creek	Murphy R 2	C. F. Martin	W. J. Martin	E. P Owenby	3	87	
9	Mt. Pisgah	Hayesville	O. G. Rogers	C. R. Kimsey (3)	H. W. Chambers	1	74	1
10	Mt. Pleasant	Hayesville	Frank Loyd (4)	E. D. Penland	E. D. Penland	1	63	
11	Mt. Zion	Marble	J. G. Hogan (5)	J. T. Stalcup	Lella Newton	2	85	1
12	Murphy	Murphy	T. L. Sasser	G. H. Cope	Noah Lovingood	F	206	
13	Oak Grove	Andrews	D. F. Birchfield (1	W. G. Holland	— —Chambers	1	80	
14	Peachtree	Murphy	A. B. Smith (6)	Geo. F. Hendrix	W. K. Johnson	1	197	
15	Red Marble	Topton	C. F. Martin (1)	J. J. Stover	Charles Solesbee	1	160	
16.	Rowland's Cr'k.	Natahala	J. G. Hogan (5)	J. A. Mason	T. C. Gregory	4	63	1
17	Shady Grove	Hayesville	Algia West (6)	W. H. Moody	G. M. Fleming	4	60	
18	Shooting Creek	Hayesville	M. L. Lewis (4)	J. M. Galloway	E. L. Parker	1	81	1
19	Sweetwater	Brasstown R 1	W. A. Hedden (7)	Mrs. W. A. Stewart	D. H. Caldwell	4	37	
20	Tusquittee	Hayesville	James Burrell (4)	C. W. Evans	I. D. Woodard	3	38	
21	Valley River	Andrews	H. C. Whitaker	W. L. Pullium	Tom Willix	2	139	
22	Vengeance Cr'k	Marble	Noah Lovingood	W. K. Derreberry	Maude Rogers	4	47	
							3164	17

Post Offices in cases differing from the ones given for the other church officers: 1. Murphy; 2. Youn

Women's Missionary Soci

CHURCH	PRESIDENTS	Mem-bers
Andrews	Mrs. H. M. Whitaker.	62
Hayesville	Mrs. J. B. Gray	12
Marble Springs		
Murphy	Mrs. T. L. Sasser	29
Peachtree		
	TOTALS	10

B
206.9756
M66wel

MINUTES

OF THE

SEVENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

WEST LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH MOUNT MORIAH CHURCH
FOUR MILES WEST OF SWEET GUM,
GA., OCTOBER 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th, 1925

The next session will be held with Persimmon Church, eight miles West of Murphy, North Carolina, beginning Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1926. Introductory Sermon by Rev. Robert Bell; Rev. J. L. Morrow, alternate.

PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY—Morning Session

Thursday, October 1, 1925.

The West Liberty Baptist Association met according to appointment with the church at Mt. Moriah, four miles west of Sweet Gum, Ga. Rev. W. D. Hogsed preached the Introductory Sermon; the text, Matt. 14th chapter. Adjourned until 1:30 P. M. for refreshments.

AFTERNOON SESSION

House was called to order by Rev. R. R. Bell. Prayer by Rev. R. L. Randolph. On motion that J. T. Hartness act as Clerk Protem. Reading Clerks, Brothers Joseph Coleman and U. S. G. Phillips. Then proceeded to call for and read the letters from the various churches comprising this association. Motion to elect by acclamation, elected Moderator, Rev. Robert Bell; vice Moderator, J. T. L. Hartness; Clerk, U. S. G. Phillips; J. M. Payne, Treasurer.

Invitations were given for new churches and received Pleasant Hill, Ga., with its delegation.

Then an invitation was given visitors and received Rev. G. W. Passmore from Polk County, Tennessee; R. L. Randolph; H. R. Cochran, Polk County, Tennesss; J. R. Davis, from Western North Carolina Association.

COMMITTEES

ON ORDER OF BUSINESS—J. T. L. Hartness, J. M. Payne and D. F. Helton.

STATE MISSIONS—P. H. Chastain, J. L. Morrow, and R. L. Randolph.

HOME MISSIONS—J. T. Payne and W. D. Hogsed.

PREACHING COMMITTEE—Elonzo Gaddis, T. H. Cole, J. M. Bryson and Joseph Coleman.

COMMITTEE ON HOSPITALS—T. H. Cole, J. N. Bell and H. R. Golde.

On motion adjourned until 9 A. M. tomorrow. Dismissed by Rev. W. D. Hogsed.

SECOND DAY

Morning Session, Friday, October 2, 1925.

Body met. Devotional exercises by H. L. Riddle. House was called to order by the Moderator.

Invitation was given visitors and received none.

Letters of various churches called for. Journal of preceding day read and adopted. On motion, the Association took up the regular routine of business. On motion, that the Report on Business be adpoted.

FOREIGN MISSIONS—J. T. Payne, S. H. Davis and P. H. Chastain.

ORPHANAGE—J. M. McNabb, M. F. Farmer and N. R. Reece.

PASTORS' SUPPORT—Joseph Coleman, J. L. Arp, and J. N. Bell.

STATE OF CHURCHES—J. L. Morrow and B. F. Helton.
TEMPERANCE—G. W. Passmore and W. D. Hogsed.
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION—R. L. Randolph and C. A. Adams.
MINISTERIAL RELIEF—G. E. Rice and H. L. Riddle.
PERIODICALS—R. L. Randolph, A. Rice and C. F. Martin.
FINANCIAL—G. E. Rice and Joseph Coleman.
NOMINATIONS—J. L. Morrow, M. F. Farmer and J. N. Bell
SUNDAY SCHOOL—R. R. Bell and J. T. Payne.
DECEASED MEMBERS—P. H. Chastain, J. L. Morrow and J. M. Bryant.

Rev. R. L. Randolph discussed the subject of Missions.

The report on Temperance read and adopted. Discussed by W. D. Hogsed and others.

Preaching at 11 o'clock A. M. by Rev. R. L. Randolph; the text Eccl. 12th chapter. Adjourned until 1 P. M.

SECOND DAY—Afternoon Session

Reassembled at 1 P. M. The house was called to order by the Moderator. Prayer by Rev. J. T. Payne. Then an invitation was extended to visitors and received W. J. Martin from Western North Carolina Association.

The report was read on State Missions and adopted.

The report on Pastoral Support read and adopted. Discussed by Rev. C. F. Martin and W. D. Hogsed, G. W. Passmore and others.

The report on Ministerial Relief read and adopted.

On motion that we adjourn until tomorrow at 9 A. M. Benediction by Rev. R. R. Bell.

Saturday, October 3, 1925.

THIRD DAY

MORNING SESSION

Devotional exercises by Rev. R. R. Bell. House called to orded by the Moderator. An invitation was given to visitors and received Rev. C. F. Martin from the Western North Carolina Association.

The report on Home Missions read and adopted. Discussed by Rev. C. F. Martin and W. J. Martin.

The report on Christian Education read and adopted. Discussed by W. J. Martin and Rev. J. L. Morrow.

The report on Deceased Members read and adopted.

The report on Orphanage read and adopted.

The committee made their report on Preaching. Rev. C. F. Martin preached at 11 o'clock A. M., text John 6th chapter.

On motion that we adjourn until 1 P. M.

THIRD DAY—Afternoon Session

Reassembled at 1 P. M. House called to order by the Moderator. On motion that A. L. Tippett act as Moderator protem. Devotional exercises by W. J. Martin.

Then took up the report on Orphanage. Discussed by M. F. Farmer, P. H. Chastain and J. L. Morrow.

Then took a cellection for the Orphanage, amount $12.06.

On motion that the Moderator appoint a committee to revise the delegates, to-wit: G. E. Rice, J. L. Morrow and J. M. Payne.

Then report on Periodicals read and adopted. Discussed by Rev. C. F. Martin and others.

The report on Hospitality read and adopted.

The report on Nominations read and adopted.

Then the Moderator appointed the Executive Committee, to-wit: A. L. Tippett, M. J. Gladson and J. T. Payne.

On motion that the Association pay U. S. G. Phillips for his services $8.00. The report on finance read and adopted. Then adjourned until tomorrow at 9 A. M. Dismissed by Rev. W. D. Hogsed.

FOURTH DAY—Sunday Morning Session
October 4, 1925.

Body met, devotional exercises by Rev. J. L. Morrow. The report on Foreign Missions read and adopted. The house was called to order by the Moderator.

On motion that the West Liberty Association appoint a Missionary for the ensuing year, to-wit: H. L. Riddle.

The report on Sunday School read and adopted. Discussed by Rev. J. T. Payne, C. F. Martin, P. H. Chastain, J. M. Payne, W. J. Martin, R. R. Bell and U. S. G. Phillips.

R. R. Bell and C. F. Martin preached at 11 o'clock A. M.; the text, I Timothy, 6th chapter, 15th verse.

On motion that this Association stand adjourned until time and place set forth by the committee on Nominations. (See report).

REV. R. R. BELL, Moderator;
U. S. G. PHILLIPS, Clerk.

ROLL OF DELEGATES

BEAVERDAM—U. S. G. Phillips and M. F. Farmer.

CULBERSON—By Letter.

FAIR VIEW—D. B. Baity, W. H. Martin, B. L. Fox, S. S. Akins and Charlie Fox.

FRIENDSHIP—W. L. McNabb, J. M. McNabb.

GRAPE CREEK—N. R. Reese, Joe Coleman.

HOPEWELL—J. M. Payne, J. M. Bryant, A. Rice, Wade Bryant, P. H. Chastain, J. L. Morrow.

MACEDONIA—By Letter.

MT. MORIAH—H. R. Golden, T. H. Cole, F. M. Gaddis, Elonzo Gaddis, J. N. Bell.

MT. OLIVE—T. F. Self, W. R. Ledford, Eskel Self.

MT. NEBO—J. U. Farmer and J. T. Dockery.

MOUNT PLEASANT—Rev. R. R. Bell and B. T. Helton.

M.T. VERNON—Will Dockery, C. A. Adams, J. H. Powell, Bud Ledford.

HIAWASSEE—J. A. Timpson.

LIBERTY—Wiley Ledford, Lenis Ledford, James Dobkins.

PERSIMMON CREEK—J. A. Williamsono, C. D. Ledford, T. A. Davis, B. H. Campbell.

OAK GROVE—E. W. Taylor.

PLEASANT HILL, GA.—J. S. Bryson, J. B. Morrett, J. H. Davis.

PLEASANT GROVE—W. D. Hogsed, Fred Stiles, A. W. Green, G. L. Hogsed, J. H. Gibson.

PLEASANT HILL—Frank Deaver, J. T. Payne.
SHOAL CREEK—N. C. Brindle.
SHADY GROVE—H. G. Riddle, G. E. Rice, J. L. Arp, J. T. L. Hartness.
UNION—J. H. Payne.
VIOLET—By Letter.

OBITUARY

Pleasant Hill Church has lost Sister Susie Danner, wife of James Danner. She professed a hope in Christ at an early age and lived a devoted Christian life and warned others to live for God. She was a loving companion and faithful mother and was loved by all who knew her. She leaves a husband and seven children to mourn her loss. Farewell, dear sister and mother and companion, for awhile. Our loss is Heaven's gain.

OBITUARY OF SISTER MARTHA CLONTS

Sister Martha Clonts, who was a member of Friendship Church, was born March 10, 1857. She passed from this life to her Heavenly Home, December 18, 1924. She professed faith in Christ at an early age and lived a faithful and consistent member of the Baptist Church, always proving her faith by her works. During her illness she was patient and forbearing, spending much of her time in talking of Jesus and His love. She was a loving mother and a good true neighbor. Why God took her just at a time when her motherly care and counsel were so much needed is better known to Him who doeth all things well. Though her passing has brought intense sorrow to our hearts, yet we feel that her sweet Christian influence will live on in the hearts and minds of all who knew her. She was faithful and prayerful for the unsaved, even while on her death bed she was heard to plead for mercy in behalf of those whom she loved. Oh! may her prayers be answered!
($1.00 paid)

Pleasant Hill has lost Sister Elsie Beaver, daughter of W. A. Beaver, age 18 years. She joined the church at the age of 15 years. She leaves a father, mother, two sisters, and one brother to mourn her loss. Our loss is Heaven's gain; Farewell, dear Elsie, till we meet again.

Pleasant Hill Church has lost Sister Adeline Hamby, wife of W. M. Hamby, age not known.

(Nothing paid in for these obituaries.)

MARY WILLIAMSON

Born March 28, 1863, and departed this life September 14, 1925, being 62 years, 6 months and two weeks old when God called her home. She was a member of the Union Baptist Church. She accepted Christ as her Saviour in her young days and ilved a member of the church 47 years. She was the wife of A. J. Williamson. She was a good wife and mother. She leaves a husband, three children and four sisters and one brother and three grandchildren and many friends to mourn her loss. We feel our loss is Heaven's gain. We have no doubt if we all get to Heaven we will find Sister Williamson there. She was faithful in Sunday School and patient in her sickness. It is hard to part with our loved one, but God has a place prepared for all that love and serve Him. We look forward to that day when we will meet to part no more. Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord. Yea, henceforth, sayeth the Spirit, They rest from their labors and their works do follow them. Farewell loved one, till we meet again. A FRIEND.

Mr. Claud Eller was born September 8, 1895, and died November 27th, 1924. He was a member of Liberty Church. He leaves a father, mother, four brothers and two sisters to mourn his loss. But our loss is his great gain. De didn't fear death. He said he was ready to go at any time. He was willing for the Lord's will to be done. We believe he is enjoying that sweet rest that is prepared for those that love the Lord. He bore his sickness with patience, and said Weep not for me for I am going home. So, farewell departed one, till we meet again. A FRIEND.

REPORTS

REPORT ON RESOLUTION OF THANKS

Resolved that this Association tender its thanks to the Mt. Moriah Baptist Church for the kind hospitality and courtesy shown the delegates of the West Liberty Association while in session.

Respectfully submitted,

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS

Next session will be held with Persimmon Creek Church, eight miles west of Murphy, North Carolina, beginning Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1926.

Introductory sermon by Rev. Robert Bell; Rev. J. L. Morrow, alternate.

Respectfully submitted,

J. N. BELL, Chairman Committee.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

Since 1885, when through Brother Mills, our Baptist people conceived the possibility of caring for dependant children. Beginning in a small way, our people, year by year, have got a larger view, a deeper insight of their duty under God toward these dependent ones. We by our prayers and means made it possible to care for hundreds of these little ones, help them to fill their place as useful citizens and Christians in this commonwealth. Thomasville is one of the orphanages of our Baptist people of the State of North Carolina. Through this institution of our Baptist brotherhood we have and are sending young men and women by the scores to fill business places, pulpits and churches, with characters that are worthwhile. Brother Fusler needs our prayers, our means to clothe, shelter and feed these dependent ones. Under God we must and we will. Respectfully submitted,

N. R. REESE,
W. L. McNABB,
M. F. FARMER
Committee.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS

Reigious literature is one of our greatest factors in moulding religious sentiment. We your committee, raise a vital question as we see it: Can we be strong Christians without reading good literature? Our Home and Foreign Fields is the means of informing ourselves about the tilled field and the many activities of our home work. The Biblical Recorder tells us of the work we are doing in our own State. We must know the needs before we can measure the responsibilities, the destitution, to hear the appeal. So also is Charity and Children, the agency to inform us about our orphan children. The periodicals carry messages of information about our work, bring us in touch with our brethren in the work, our brethren and sisters that are doing the work. Let us give these a place in our Sunday School and our individual and church life, and in our prayers. Respectfully submitted,

A. RICE,
R. L. RANDOLPH,
C. F. MARTIN,
Committee.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Sunday School is the teaching service of the Church. Therefore, no church can prosper without a Sunday school. The officers and teachers must be spirit-filled church members, elected by the church in conference. We urge that every church take greater interest in Sunday school work.

Respectfully submitted,
ROBERT BELL,
Committee.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

Our Foreign Mission Board is located in Richmond, Va. It operates in seventeen countries of the world. There are nine hundred millions of people in these countries. Therefore, our foreign mission opportunity is at most unlimited. So we urge that our people write their names large in foreign mission gifts.

Respectfully submitted,
J. T. PAYNE, Chairman,
P. H. CHASTAIN,
Committee.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

We, your committee on Temperance, submit the following report: We find the cause of intemperance has been and is being greatly eliminated through the earnest efforts of some of the churches but we feel that a stronger effort should be put forth by all naming the name of Christ to put down this great evil that is so destructive of our young people and so hurtful to Christianity. We feel that the churches are largely responsible for maintaining the law and enforcing the law against intemperance.

Respectfully submitted,
G. W. PASSMORE,
W. D. HOGSED,
Committee.

REPORT ON DECEASED MEMBERS

We, your committee on Deceased Members, submit the following report: Oak Grove, none; Persimmon Creek, none; Mt. Moriah,

1; Fairview, none; Shady Grove, none; Macedonia, 1; Mt. Pleasant, 2; Culberson, none; Friendship, 4; Shoal Creek, 1; Mt. Nebo, none; Pleasant Grove, 3; Mt. Vernon, 1; Hopewell, 3; Buck Knob, none; Pleasant Hill, none; Pleasant Hill, Ga., 3; Hiawassee, 3; Grape Creek, 2; Liberty, 1; Beaverdam, 1. Total deceased, 25.

Respectfully submitted,
SIGNED BY THE COMMITTEE.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We cannot afford to be indifferent regarding the fundamental principles upon which our denomination rests. More than ever the training of the young looms up before us. More than ever care should be taken to patronize our theological institutions which give Biblical teaching, that the spiritual development of our people keep balanced with the mental development of this day and age.

C. A. Adams, Chairman.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

Our Home Mission Board has done a great work in the last few years. The present opportunity is exceedingly great. In our great Southland there are 13,000,000 ten years of age and over who are not Christians; 4,234,151 of foreign birth or parentage; 161,941 Indians, and 9,026,096 negroes constitute a tremendous home mission task and opportunity for Southern Baptists.

We have three seminaries in our Southland, one hospital and about thirty schools fostered by our great Southern Baptist Convention.

We urge that our Association make liberal contribution to these worthy objects, and pray much for home mission advancement.

J. T. PAYNE,
Committee.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF

"Let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me."

We your committee on Ministerial Relief, submit the following report: Among the things which the campaign has enabled the Relief Board to do for the Baptist ministers throughout the Southland which are dependent ones, they have provided aid and comfort for their retired preachers, either for disability or old age. This is far

more than the Southern Baptists had done for ministerial relief in all the years prior to the launching of the campaign.

Respectfully submitted,
G. E. RICE, Chairman,
H. L. RIDDLES,
Committee.

REPORT ON PASTORIAL SUPPORT

We your committee on pastorial support submit the following report: We find that our country pastors are inadequately supported. In view of the fact that they receive less for their service rendered than any other class of professional men, which is much less than any skilled laborers. We urge that they be sufficiently supported to enable them to give full time to the work of the ministry. This will enable them to better edify the churches and win more souls for Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
JOE COLEMAN,
J. N. BELL,
J. L. ARP,
Committee.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

State Missions is Kingdom work in the State. It is concerned with all phases of Christ's Kingdom. It may be said State Missions is the house of supply for all missions.

In the State Mission Program we have nearly 200 missionary pastors supported in part or in full. Also, we have three B. Y. P. U. workers, two general field workers, two evangelists, two W. M. U. workers and four Sunday School workers. In each department there is being a fine work done. Steady progress is noted from all phases of the work. Under the leadership of Dr. Charles E. Maddry our State Mission work is going forward.

Let us as the West Liberty Association give of our means and prayers to God for His blessing.

Committee.

REPORT ON FINANCE

We, your committee on Finance, submit the following report:

Money received for Minutes and Obituaries from the various churches amounted to $41.77.

Respectfully submitted,
G. E. RICE, Chairman,
JOE COLEMAN,
Committee.

TABLE NO. 2. FINANCES OF WEST LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, FOR YEAR END-
ING SEPTEMBER 30, 1925

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for S. S. and B. Y. P. U.	Help Given to Local Poor	For Minutes & Clerk	Other Objects	Total for Support of Local Church Work	Total for All Missions Educa. & Benev.
Beaverdam	U. S. G. Phillips, Unaka, N. C.	70 55		15 60	50 00		12 00	3 00	3 00		154 15	11 05
Culberson	J. F. Foster, Culberson, N. C.	35 00				3 00	10 00				48 00	
Fairview	B. L. Fox, Ranger, N. C.	28 00							1 50		29 50	5 02
Friendship	R. L. Keenum, Suit, N. C.	120 00		10 00					3 00		133 00	
Grape Creek	C. McDonald, Murphy, N. C.	10 00		6 00			8 50		90	1 00	26 40	
Hopewell	J. M. Payne, Culberson, N. C.	90 00	15 00				15 00		2 00		122 00	20 00
Macedonia	E. F. Bandy, Isabella, Tenn.								1 50		1 50	
Mt. Moriah	H. R. Golden, Culberson, N. C.	23 50		42 00	124 00	12 50	10 00		2 00		214 00	
Mt. Olive	T. F. Self, Postell, N. C.	46 37		1 65					1 82		49 84	
Mt. Nebo	Vance Radford, Grandview, N. C.	46 64		10 63					1 00		58 27	9 10
Shady Grove	T. M. Rice, Culberson, N. C.	90 00		15 00			4 00		1 00		110 00	5 00
Shoal Creek	G. W. Jones, Postell, N. C.	73 10	10 75				12 00	35 00	2 45		133 30	3 82
Pleasant Hill	John Picklesimer, Patrick, N. C.	16 12	9 00		40 00		12 00		1 85		78 97	
Pleasant Grove	Thomas Payne, Birch, N. C.	70 61		10 00			5 50		2 00		88 11	3 03
Pleasant Hill, Ga.	J. S. Bryson, Mineral Bluff, Ga.	25 00							2 50		27 50	
Oak Grove	L. P. Payne, Letitia, N. C.	35 00		5 00			4 84		1 25		46 09	
Liberty	J. L. Kimsey, Turtletown, Tenn.	34 13		17 19			10 00		2 10		63 42	2 00
Persimmon Creek	C. C. Rogers, Persimmon Creek, N.C.	60 00		24 00	2 50		14 75		2 00		103 25	
Hiawassee	I. A. Timpson, Murphy, N. C.	12 97		6 00			3 00		1 50		23 47	
Mt. Vernon	Rob Miller	17 27		15 00					3 20		35 47	
Mt. Pleasant	I. E. Gladson, Culberson, N. C.	120 50		10 00			6 82		2 00		139 32	
Union	W. H. Reece	62 14		9 78		1 95	10 07	4 01	2 00	3 10	93 05	
Violet									1 25		1 25	

TABLE NO. 1. MEMBERSHIP AND CHURCH PROPERTY OF WEST LIBERTY BAPTIST
FOR YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 192

CHURCHES	Is it in Village, Town, City or Country?	When Constituted	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	CHURCH MEMBEHSHIP									Revival meetings held
				Regular days meet	Gains				Losses			Total Membership	
					Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Deaths		
Beaverdam	Co	1864	C. F. Martin, Murphy, N. C.	2	....	....	....	1	1	9	1	148	1
Culberson	Co	.....	Robert Bell, Culberson, N. C.	1	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	45	1
Fairview	Co	.....	W. D. Hogsed, Birch, N. C.	1	6	....	....	1	2	1	....	63	1
Friendship	Co	.....	J. P. Decker, Suit, N. C.	3	29	6	....	....	5	....	4	187	2
Grape Creek	Co	1894	J. T. Payne, Postell, N. C.	4	4	3	....	1	2	....	2	80	....
Hopewell	Co	.....	Robert Bell, Culberson, N. C.	4	4	9	....	....	4	....	3	130	1
Macedonia	Co	.....	L. N. Morrow, Turtletown, Tenn.,	4	....	....	....	....	3	....	1	62	1
Mt. Moriah	Co	.....	J. P. Horn, Mineral Bluff, Ga.	3	7	....	....	....	....	....	1	111	2
Mt. Olive	Co	.....	P. A. Helton, Culberson, N. C.	3	9	4	....	....	2	....	....	49	....
Mt. Nebo	Co	.....	E. A. Beaver, Suit, N. C.	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	98	....
Shady Grove	Co	.....	R. R. Bell, Culberson, N. C.	3	1	4	....	....	1	....	....	86	1
Shoal Creek	Co	.....	W. G. Sparks, Maryville, Tenn.	4	12	7	....	....	13	....	1	159	1
Pleasant Hill	Co	1875	E. D. Cole, Copperhill, Tenn.	2	....	....	....	....	2	1	3	78	1
Pleasant Grove	Co	.....	W. D. Hogsed, Birch, N. C.	4	....	....	....	....	3	....	3	120	1
Pleasant Hill, Ga.	Co	.....	Daniel Panthers, Mineral Bluff, Ga.,	....	14	....	....	....	9	....	....	129	....
Oak Grove	Co	1922	W. D. Hogsed, Birch, N. C.	2	....	2	....	....	....	1	....	17	....
Liberty	Co	1848	L. N. Morrow, Turtletown, Tenn.	....	5	3	1	....	....	....	1	110	....
Persimmon Creek	Co	1889	J. P. Decker, Suit, N. C.	1	3	....	....	....	5	....	....	76	....
Hiawassee	Co	.....	J. T. Payne, Patrick, N. C.	3	4	....	....	....	4	....	1	60	....
Mt. Vernon	Co	.....	J. P. Decker, Suit, N. C.	....	....	....	....	....	5	....	1	117	....
Mt. Pleasant	Co	.....	Robert Bell, Culberson, N. C.	2	18	5	....	....	6	....	2	166	1
Union	Co	.....	L. N. Morrow, Turtletown, Tenn.	2	2	....	....	....	1	....	1	68	....
Violet	Co	.....	J. T. Dugan, Unaka, N. C.	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	51	....

U. S. G. Phillips, Clerk of the West Liberty Baptist Association, Unaka, N. C.

WEST LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, FOR YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1925

ENTS AND FICES	SECRETARIES AND POST OFFICES	Officers and Teachers	Beginners—3-5 years	Primaries—6-8 years	Juniors—9-12 years	Intermediates—13-16	Srs. & Adults 17 up	Cradle Roll Under 3 yr	Total Enrollment	Is School Graded?	Is it Standard A-1?	Teachers Holding Normal Diplomas	Baptisms from School	Gifts to Missions, Orphanage, etc.
N. C.	G. G. Burgess, Unaka, N. C.	5	15	20	10	15	25	....	90	Yes	No	No	....	.....
son, N. C.	Grace Hyatt, Culberson, N. C.	6	7	10	10	12	5	....	48	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
. C.	Clita Kenum, Suit, N. C.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	85	.....	.....	.....	....	5 00
, N. C.	Jennie Hall, Murphy, N. C.	5	....	....	....	....	....	....	45	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
N. C.	Lola Payne, Culberson, N. C.	6	7	6	9	12	8	....	46	.....	.....	.....	4	.....
	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
rson, N. C.	Abba Chastain, Culberson, N. C.	6	....	....	....	....	....	....	40	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
N. C.	Grace Brewster, Wehutty, N. C.	6	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
son, N. C.	Lillie Rice, Culberson, N. C.	6	....	10	10	18	....	....	44	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
l, N. C.	Emma Jones, Postell, N. C.	8	5	18	10	25	12	....	68	.....	.....	.....	7	.....
awassee, N. C.	K. W. Shearer, Hiawassee, N. C.	7	10	....	20	....	15	....	52	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
N. C.	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
N. C.	Maud Barton, Letitia, N. C.	7	8	8	8	2	18	4	48	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
rner, Tenn.	Eleanor Polk, Turtletown, Tenn.	6	12	10	24	....	30	....	82	.....	.....	.....	3	.....
non Creek, N.C.	E. L. Simonds, Persimmon Creek,NC	6	8	....	12	....	18	6	42	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
phy, N. C.	Lawrence Timpson, Murphy, N. C.	3	11	5	....	....	7	....	26	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
rson, N. C.	Lena Goforth, Culberson, N. C.	7	6	20	10	15	12	....	70	.....	.....	.....	13	.....
	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....

206.9756
M66we

MINUTES

OF THE

SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

WEST LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH THE PERSIMMON CHURCH TEN MILES SOUTH WEST FROM MURPHY, N. C., SEPTEMBER 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 1926.

The next session will be held with Mt. Nobo Church, 14 miles north of Murphy, N. C., beginning Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1927. Introductory sermon by Rev. J. P. Decker, E. A. Beaver, alternate.

THE CHEROKEE SCOUT, PRINTERS AND PUBLISHERS, MURPHY, N. C.

Thursday, September 30, 1926.

The West Liberty Baptist Association met according to appointment with the Church at Persimmon, ten miles Southwest from Murphy, N. C.

Rev. R. R. Bell preached the Introductory Sermon; the text I Ch. 3 verses. Adjourned until 12:30 P. M. for refreshments.

AFTERNOON SESSION

House was called to order by Rev. R. R. Bell. Prayer by the Moderator. Reading Clerks, J. T. L. Hartness and Elonzo Shields. Then proceeded to call for and read letters from the various Churches comprising this Association. On motion that the Association seat all the representatives from the various Churches. Motion to elect by acclamation, and elected Moderator, Rev. R. R. Bell; vice Moderator, J. T. L. Hartness; Clerk U. S. G. Phillips; Treasurer, J. T. Payne.

Then an invitation was given visitors and received none.

COMMITTEES

ON ORDER OF BUSINESS—W. L. McNabb, J. T. Payne and J. P. Decker.

PREACHING—C. D. Rodger, Tom Davis, J. A. Williams, B. T. Hetton and A. J. Williamson.

HOSPITALS—J. T. Payne and R. A. Helton.

PASTORAL SUPPORT—W. L. McNabb and B. T. Helton.

STATE OF CHURCHES—B. L. Fox and I. P. Hawkins.

TEMPERANCE—S. H. Davis and Rev. W. D. Hogsed.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF—R. C. Rich and J. T. Dockery.

FINANCE—W. L. McNabb and G. E. Rice.

NOMINATION—J. L. Arp, John Moss and W. H. Reece.

Preaching tomorrow at 11 o'clock A. M. by Rev. S. H. Davis.

On motion adjourned until 9 A. M. tomorrow morning. Dismissed by R. R. Bell.

The report was read on Pastorial Support and adopted. Discused by I. P. Hawkins, J. T. Dockey and W. D. Hogsed.

SECOND DAY

Morning Session, Friday, October 1, 1926.

Body met. Devotional exercises by Rev. J. T. Payne. House was called to order by the Moderator.

Invitation was given visitors and received none.

Letters of various churches called for. Journal of preceeding day read and adopted. On motion the Association took up the regular routine of business. On motion that the report on business be adopted.

COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS—J. T. Payne, S. H. Davis, J. T. L. Hartness.

ORPHANAGE—J. M. PAYNE, E. A. Beavers.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION—W. H. Reece, Josheph Coleman.

PERIODICALS—J. P. Decker, G. I. Hogsed.

SUNDAY SCHOOL—C. D. Rodgers, S. C. Minyors and U. S. G. Phillips.

DECEASED MEMBERS—J. P. Decker, R. A. Hilton.

The report on state of churches read and adopted. Discussed by I. P. Hawkins, J. T. L. Hartness, J. P. Decker and others.

Preaching at 11 o'clock A. M., by Rev. S. H. Davis; Matt. 27th chapter, 37th verse. Adjourned until 1 P. M.

SECOND DAY—Afternoon Session

Reassembled at 1 P. M.

The House was called to order by the Moderator. Prayer by R. R. Bell.

The report on Finances read and adopted. $56.27. On motion that the clerk get $10.00 for his service.

The report on Ministerial Relief read and adopted. Discussed by Rev. J. T. Dockey and R. R. Bell.

Taken up a collection for Ministerial relief. Received $7.20.

Then the report on Periodicals read and adopted and discussed by J. T. Payne and R. R. Bell.

On motion that we adjourn until tomorrow at 9 A. M.

Benediction by J. T. L. Hartness.

Saturday, October 2, 1926.

THIRD DAY

MORNING SESSION

Devotional exercises by Nute Marr.

House called to order by the Moderator.

The report on Nominations read and adopted.

The report on Christian Education read and adopted. Discussed by Rev. R. R. Bell and Foss Carroll.

An invitation was given to visitors and received M. C. Deaver from Polk County Association, and John Brindle from Three Fork Association.

The report on Orphanage read and adopted. Discussed by E. A. Beaver, John Brindle and others.

Then taken up a collection for the Orphanage. $18.00.

On Motion that we adjourn until 1 P. M. Dismissed by Rev. John Brindle.

THIRD DAY—Afternoon Session

Reassembled at 1 P. M.

House called to order by Moderator.

Devotional exercises by Rev. C. F. Conley.

On motion that Rev. J. T. Payne be seated as a delegate from Pleasant Hill Church.

On motion that the Association recommend that all the churches elect their pastors in the month of August.

The report on Missions read and adopted and discussed by Rev. C. F. Conley, J. T. Payne, R. R. Bell, W. D. Hogsed and U. S G Phillips.

The report on Temperance read and adopted. Discussed by W. D. Hogsed.

The resolution of thanks read and adopted.

The report on Deceased Members read and adopted.

The report of Treasurer read and adopted. Amount $33.68.

On motion that this Association grant Notla Church a letter of dismission from this Association.

On motion that we adjourn until tomorrow at 9 A. M. Dismissed by E. A. Beaver.

FOURTH DAY—Morning Session

October 3, 1926.

Body met. Devotional exercises by Rev. R. R. Bell.

The report on Hospitals read and adopted.

The report on Sunday Schools read and adopted. Discussed by R. R. Bell, U. S. G. Phillips, J. P. Decker and W. D. Hogsed.

Preaching by R. R. Bell. Text "Watch."

On motion that this Association stand adjourned until time and place set forth by the committee on Nomination. (See Report.)

REV. R. R. BELL, Moderator.
U. S. G. PHILLIPS, Clerk.

On motion that the Association appoint a Missionary for the ensuing year to-wit: Rev. J. L. Morrow, and that the Clerk notify him.

ROLL OF DELEGATES

BEAVERDAM—U. S. G. Phillips, J. B. Moss.
BATES CREEK—Eli Abernathy.
CULBERSON—Robert Bell, Burton Foster.
EBERNEZER—W. J. Umphries.
FAIRVIEW—B. L. Fox, G. B. Fox.
FRIENDSHIP—W. L. McNabb.
GRAPE CREEK—Joe Coleman.
HIAWASSEE—S. L. Mingus, P. C. Hogsed, Birt Hartness.
HOPEWELL—J. M. Payne, Myrtle Bryant, Mary Payne.
LIBERTY—L. Ledford, O. Ledford, W. B. Ledford.
MT. PLEASANT—T. P. Hayes, Ira Helton, B. T. Helton.
MT. NEBO—J. U. Farmer, Mark Farmer.

MT. VERNON—D. O. Bigham.
MACEDONIA—A. E. McClure.
NOTLA—By letter.
OAK GROVE—L. P. Payne.
PLEASANT GROVE—G. J. Hogsed, W. D. Hogsed.
PLEASANT HILL, GA.—S. H. Davis.
PLEASANT HILL, N. C.—Jo. Picklesimer.
PERSIMMON CREEK—W. M. Stiles, B. H. Campbell, C. D. Rogers.
SHOAL CREEK—By letter.
SHADY GROVE—G. E. Rice, I. P. Hawkins, J. L. Arp.
UNION—J. H. Payne, A. J. Williamson, W. H. Reese.
VIOLET—Willard Graham.

OBITUARY

Brother S. M. Goforth ceased from his earthly activities, and immediately entered upon his heavenly activities, April 2, 1926. He was born January 26, 1856. So he reached the ripe old age of three score and ten. At the time of his departure, and many years before, he was a faithful member of Mt. Pleasant Church. He was an humble Chrisian; a good father; an upright citizen. He served well, and has entered into his rest.
($1.00 paid) ROBERT BELL.

OBITUARY

After many days of physical affliction, which she bore with Christ-like meekness and fortitude, Mamie Gladson was called from earth to her Home above, March 18, 1926. She was 19 years og age. From early in life, until the time of her decease, she was a faithful and zealous member of Mt. Pleasant Church. Her life was well spent. She was constantly doing things that would enable anyone to say: "She has been with Jesus." She was pleasant and agreeable with her associates. She was seen by her fellow-clay walking ever "In the beauty of holiness"; admired by Angels, and received into glory. May all who knew her emulate her worthy example.
($1.00 paid to have this printed.)

ROBERT BELL.

Liberty has lost Brother James Dobbins. Born September 24, 1865, departed this life July 28, 1926. He was a member of Liberty Church for forty-one years. He lived a consecrated life and died in the faith. He never missed his church meetings. He bore his suffering with Christian fortitude, and sang songs of Zion and admonished his friends to live Christian lives and meet him in Heaven. Farewell, dear Brother for awhile, then we will clasp hands where

parting will be no more. He leaves a brother and one sister to mourn his loss. Our loss is his gain. Farewell dear brother till we meet again. ($1.00 paid.)

OBITUARY OF SISTER HARRIETT STILES

Sister Harriett Stiles who was a member of Persimmon Creek Church. She was born May 26, 1854, departed this life February 6, 1926. She was 72 years old. She professed faith in Christ at an early age and lived a faithful and consistent member of the Baptist Church. She proved her faith by her good works. She was a good wife and mother and a true neighbor. She leaves a husband, eight children, some grand children and a host of friends to mourn her loss. We feel our loss is Heaven's gain. We have no doubt if we get to Heaven we will see Sister Stiles there. She was faithful and patient in sickness. While on her death bed she rejoiced and talked about Jesus. She said she was ready and willing for the Lords will to be done and she was ready to meet death. She said all she regretted was that she had to leave all whom she loved. It is hard to part with our loved ones but God has a place prepared for all that love and serve him. We look forward to that day when we will meet to part no more. She rests from her labors and her works will follow her. Farewell, loved one till we meet again.

A FRIEND.

($1.00 paid.)

The subject of this sketch, Brother J. Milton McNabb, was born September 18, 1878 and passed from earth to his Heavenly reward April 3, 1926.

In young manhood, Brother Milt professed hope in Christ and joined the Friendship Baptist Church and at his death was one of its most loyal members and ardent workers.

Bro. Milton McNabb was a man who possessed some of the finest characteristics of greatness, about his home and in his everyday walks of life he was quiet and unassuring but always finding time to be courteous and entertaining to those who called at his home.

In the passing of Bro. McNabb we feel that Friendship Church has lost one of her most loyal members, the community a man who always had its best interests at heart, and the state and county one of their best citezens. Bro. McNabb is survived by his wife, and seven children, father, mother, two brothers anr six sisters besides a host of friends and other near relatives who moarn his passing but realizing that our separation from him is but momentary and that we shall see him again some day we comfort ourselves with these thoughts and say the Lord's Will Be Done.

($1.00 paid.)

Pleasant Hill Church has lost Sister Cardie Kilpatrick, age about 62 years. She professed a hope in Christ early in life and has been a member of the Church about 42 years. She was a devoted Christian, warning others to live for God. She was a good neighbor and loved to sing the songs of Zion and rejoice in God's work. We will meet again in the sweet by and by and there will be no tears to dim the eye. May we all live as we believe the sister has lived. She leaves a husband and five children to mourn her loss. Farewell companion, mother and sister for awhile. Our loss is Heaven's gain.

OBITUARY

A great concourse of sorrowing. Relatives and friends paid their last respects to one of the most noble and respected men of the Beech Creek Community on September the 10th, 1926, when the funeral rites of Mr. Thomas Payne was held at his residence and home. He had been a faithful and consistent member of the Baptist Church for 54 years. Was always ready to do all he could do for the uplifting of the church and community in which he lived. He was always called on to aid in the busines of the church work.

Rev. W. A. Revis paid high tribute to his noble Christian character, his neighborliness and his desire to minister those that were needy in beautiful words spoken over his last remains.

The funeral was held at 10 o'clock and interment immediately followed in the family cemetery in which the Masonic Fraternity assisted.

Mr. Payne passed very peacefully away Wednesday evening September 8th at 3:30 o'clock, the direct cause of which was a stroke of paralysis which he had suffered for a little more than a year. He dropped into unconsciousness 38 hours before the end came and was never able to speak again but several weeks before he died he expressed his longing to go and said his suffering would all be over when the Lord caled him away.

He was borned and raised in Cherokee County, N. C., was borned November 17, 1844, being at the age of 81 years 10 months and 20 days at his death.

Mr. Payne was the father of one of most prominent families of his community. Was the father of eleven children, 3 of which preceeded him to the grave in their infancy, he leaves a devoted wife and eight children and a number of grandchildren and great grand children to mourn his absence. He will be greatly missed in the home and church and community in which he lived. Farewell father for a llttle while.

Written by his daughter.

EMMA DOCKERY

Oak Grove has lost one member, brother T. J. Taylor, who died April 21, 1926. He was sixty-six years old and professed a hope in Christ about forty years ago. He had a long illness and suffered very much but he trusted in God and often spoke of dying. He was not afraid to die. He told his loved ones to not grieve for him for he was going to rest.

He leave sa wife, three children, one sister, two brothers and a hose of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. While it is sad to think that we shall see our dear brother here no more let us remember like David that though he can not come to us we can some time go to him. Brother Taylor has just gone on home; his pilgrimage is ended; he now has a home in that house of many Mansions.

May we realize that ere long the great summons will come to each of us and may we be ready to answer the call and enter into that rest that remaineth for the people of God. where we can again clasp hands with our loved ones and where parting is no more. Farewell dear brother for a while.
($1.00 paid).

REPORT OF TREASURER

Mt. Nebo—For Orp., $3.57; Home Missions, $1.00. $4.57.
Pleasant Grove—Home and State Mission, $2.86.
Fair View—Orphnt., 103.
For West L. as collection for Ministerial Relief, $7.20; Collection for orphanage, $18.02. $33.68.

J. T. PAYNE, Treas.

REPORT ON HOSPITAL

Our State Baptist Hospital, located at Winston-Salem, cared for about 1800 patients last year, over 400 of these were charity. The expense of these charity patients was $20,000.00. There are 500 to care for this year, or turn many worthy ones away to die. Jesus hunted up and healed the sick when he was on earth. Therefore, let us follow Him in giving our support to our hospital.

J. T. PAYNE, Chairman
B. J. HILTON.

REPORT ON STATE OF CHURCHES

We, your committee on State of Churches, submit the following. We find the conditions of the various church reported.

The increase in membership are very small. The decrease has almost kept pace with the increase. A lukewarmness seems to prevail. Our pastors have received meager salaries and we have

not done very much for missions and other causes, and we admonish the churches to wake up and earnestly content for the faith once delivered to the saints.

Respectfully submitted,

B. J. FOX,
I. P. HAWKINS.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION OF THANKS

Resolved, that this Association tender its thanks to the Persimmon Baptist Church for the kind hospitality and courtesy shown the delegates of the West Liberty Association while in session.

Respectfully submitted.

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS

Next session will be held with Mt. Nebo church, ten miles west of Murphy, N. C., beginning Thursday before the first Sunday in Oct., 1927.

Introductory sermon by Rev. J. P. Decker.

Rev. E. A. Beavers alternate.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. REECE,
JOHN MOSS,
J. L. ARP.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

Our State Baptist Orphanage is located at Thomasville. The plant is valued at $887,568. Nine hundred children are cared for annually. It is supported by free will offerings. We learn from M. L. Kesler, the manager, that the offerings of the past year have been inadequate. We urge that our Sunday Schools take offerings and send constantly to the orphanage. Homeless orphans ought to have our sympathy and support.

J. M. PAYNE, Chairman
E. A. BEAVER.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS

We agree in our church covenant that we will religiously educate our children and to do so. We must furnish them religious literature to read instead of novels.

We urge that all members of our churches furnish their children the Biblical Recorder, and all the good sound literature they need, if we furnish our children religious literature they will learn their christian duty, where many of us older ones have come short of it.

We need to look forward and put forth every effort possible to advance the kingdom of our Lord. Watch and pray.

Respectfully,

J. P. DECKER,
G. I. HOGSED,
Committee.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Our Sunday School Board is located at Nashville, Tenn. It arranges our lessons and gives explanatory notes that enables us to get a clearer insight into scriptural teaching. Our local sunday chools ought to have trained officers and teachers, elected by the church in Conference; and members of the local churches. Otherwise heresy will creep in and work ruin.

C. D. ROGERS, Chairman
R. A. HELTON,
U. S. G. PHILLIPS.

REPORT ON MISSIONS

State Missions, Home Missions, and Foreign Missions, are terms which indicate the activities involved in "The Great Commission." We have the interests of the State in State Missions, the Home Mission field is composed of eighteen states. The Foreign Mission field the remainder of the world almost. So our opportunity is almost unlimited; our responsibility tremendously great.

J. T. PAYNE, Chairman.

We your committee submit the following report. We find that the cause of intemperance has been and is being greatly eliminated through the earnest efforts of the churches, but we feel that we should put forth more energy in the name of Christ and His cause, and for the sake of humanity to destroy this demon which is so destructive to our fellow creatures.

REV. S. H. DAVIS,
REV. W. D. HOGSED.

REPORT ON DECEASED MEMBERS

We the committee on Deceased Members submit the following: Beaverdam 1, Sister Bettie Bryson; Pleasant Hill 1, Bro. Eden White; Persimmon Creek 2, Sister Harriett Stiles and Sister Margaret Stiles; Oak Grove 1, Bro. T. J. Taylor; Massadonia 3, N. A. Carter, Sister Virginia Finches and Sister Rachel Ricks; Violet 1, Sister Ella Murphy; Shady Grove 5, Gro. J. R. Roberson, Bro. L. D. Standridge, Bro. James Standridge, Sister Sarah Hayes, Sister Bessie Satterfield; Mt. Nebo 1, W. M. Butler; Pleasant Grove 3, Bro. R. M. Stiles, Bro. Thos.

Payne, Bro. Marion Green; Friendship 1, Bro. J. M. McNable; Mt. Pleasant 2, Bro. S. M. Goforth, Sister Mayme Gladson; Notla 2, Sister Martha Loudermilk, Sister J. W. King.

J. P. DECKER, Chairman,
R. A. HELTON.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We have 117 schools that are training 40,000 young people for large usefulness. Training is needed by all who would do worthwhile things. These institutions of Baptist and christian learning offer our young people training at a reasonable cost. If we are to keep pace with this advancing age, we must patronize our Baptist schools and give our young people their rightful heritage of preparation for christian service.

W. H. REESE, Chairman,
JOSEPH COLEMAN.

REPORT ON MINISTERAL RELIEF

We your committee on Ministerial Relief beg to submit the following report:

We notice the relief funds are still under $600.00, while we have nearly 1200 beneficiaries, this allows less than $150.00 per capita. we feel this is not su....cient, but we are proud to report that the Baptist of this great south land are having a greater vision along this line, we have created, May the first in Houston, Texas, a new plan that we think will better take care of the condition.

Respectfully submitted,
J. T. DOCKERY.

REPORT ON PASTORIAL SUPPORT

We find from the reports of the various churches of this body, that our pastors are paid very meager salaries for their labors. Their work is the highest class of professional work at all. Therefore, they ought to be much better remunerated for their great services. The small increase in church membership is doubtless due to this delinquency, at least in a measure. Se we urge that our churches adopt a better system of finances.

W. L. McNABB, Chairman,
B. J. HELTON.

REPORT ON FINANCES

We your committee on Finances submit the following report:

Money received for Minutes and obituaries from the various churches amounts to $56.00.

Respectfullly submitted,
G. E. RICE,
W. L. McNABB.

TABLE NO. 1. MEMBERSHIP AND CHURCH PROPERTY OF WEST LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA FOR YEAR ENDING OCTOBER, 1926

CHURCH	PASTOR AND POSTOFFICE	CLERK AND POSTOFFICE	Church Membership								Reg. Days of Meeting	In Village (V), Country (Co.)	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Value Church House and Grounds	Value Pastor's Home	Total Value all Church Property
			Gains				Losses										
			Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Deaths	Total Present Members							
Beaverdam	C. F. Martin, Murphy	U. S. G. Phillips, Unaka	13				2	6	1	152	2	Co.	500	1	$ 500.00	$	$ 500.00
Bates Creek	James Truett	Eli Abernathy, Murphy	2	7				1		37		Co.		1	50.00		50.00
Culberson	R. Bell, Culberson	J. F. Foster, Culberson								45		V.	350	1	50.00		500.00
Ebenezer	J. L. Mulkey, Grandview	W. J. Umphries, Murphy	5	2			2		1	103		Co.		1			500.00
Fairview	E. A. Beaver, Suit	B. L. Fox, Ranger				1	2	1		63		Co.		1			
Friendship	J. P. Decker, Suit	R. L. Keenum, Suit	9						1		3	Co.		1	1000.00		1000.00
Grape Creek	R. F. Payne, Patrick	J. Coleman,, Murphy										Co.		1	1000.00		1000.00
Hiawassee	J. T. Payne, Postell	P. A. Hogsed, Murphy				1	8			56	3	Co.		1	500.00		500.00
Hopewelll	P. H. Chastain, Culberson	J. M. Bryant, Culberson					5			125		Co.		1	500.00	600.00	1100.00
Liberty	L. N. Marr, Tu'le To'n, Ten.	W. B. Ledford	6	1			2	2	1	112		Co.		1	500.00		500.00
Mt. Pleasant		J. E. Gladson, Culberson	8						2	172		Co.		1	600.00		600.00
Mt. Nebo	E. A. Beaver, Suit	Lillie Dockery, Grandview	6		2	1	2	18	1	86		Co.		1	300.00		300.00
Mt. Vernon	W. S. Simonds, Wehutty		9							85		Co.	300	1	1000.00		1000.00
Macedonia	W. M. Peak, Culberson	P. W. Helton, Is'b'la, Ten.	13				3		2	95		Co.					
Notla	C. F. Conley, Blairsville, Ga.	J. Robertson, Murphy	5	6				2	2	128		Co.	500	2	2500.00		2500.00
Oak Grove	C. F. Conley, Blairsville, Ga.	L. R. Payne, Letitia	1	1	1				1	19				1			
Pleasant Grove	E. A. Beaver, Suit	G. I. Hogsed, Letitia	15		4			14	3	128				1	500.00		500.00
Pleasant Hill, Ga.	G. M. Davis	J. B. Murrel, Min'al Bluff		1			3	4	1	122			150	1	200.00		200.00
Pleas't Hill, N.C.	J. W. Morgan, Hiwassee	J. Picklesimer, Patrick		2			4		1	76				1	1000.00		1000.00
Persimmon Creek	J. P. Decker, Suit	C. D. Rogers	1	1		1	4	7	2	66					700.00		700.00
Shoal Creek	E. A. Beaver, Suit	T. M. Allen, Postell		3	1		4		1	158			500	1	1200.00		1200.00
Shady Grove	E. D. Cole, Culberson	G. E. Rice, Culberson		3			5		5	79			500	1	1000.00		1000.00
Union	L. N. Marr, Tu'le To'n, Ten.	W. L. Johnson, Vests					1			69				1	800,00		800.00
Violet	J. T. Duncan, Unaka	W. Graham, Violet	7	3			2	5	1	53							

TABLE V. SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF WEST LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, FOR YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 3, 1926

CHURCH	Is it a Village, Town or Country Church?	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	SECRETARIES AND POST OFFICES	S. S. Enrollment: Officers Teachers	Begin'ers 3-5 Yrs.	Primaries 6-8 Yea	Juniors 9-12 Yrs.	Intermed. 13-16	Young P'ple 17-24	Adults 25 Yrs. Up	Cradle Roll Un. 3	Total Enrollment	What is Avg. At.?	Special Information: Is School Graded?	Is it Standard A-1	Bapt's. from Sch.	Gifts to Missions, Orphanage, Etc.	Does Church Provide for all Depts
Beaverdam	Co.	M. F. Farmer, Unaka	W. S. McClure, Unaka	5	8	10	15	10	25	5	....	68	50	No	No	....	$ 5.00	No
Bates Creek	Co.	Eli Abernathy, Murphy	Oysha White, Murphy	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	No	No	....	.....	.....
Culberson	V.	J. F. Foster, Culberson	W. Owenby, Culberson	6	6	10	....	12	....	12	....	40	30	No	No	....	.....	.....
Ebenezer	Co.	F. Bryson, Murphy	Lola McDonald, Murphy	8	10	12	12	12	....	12	....	65	50	No	No	....	.....	.....
Fairview	Co.	B. L. Fox, Ranger	S. L. Akins, Ranger	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	No	No	....	.....	No
Friendship	Co.	J. M. McNabb, Suit	Exie Pope, Suit	9	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	59	....	No	No	....	.....	.....
Grape Creek	Co.	J. Coleman, Murphy	Janie Hall, Murphy	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	No	No	....	.....	.....
Hiawassee	Co.	J. A. Timpson, Murphy	S. Timpson	5	10	....	8	....	....	7	....	....	....	No	No	....	2.50	No
Hopewell	Co.	J. M. Bryant, Culberson	Lena Lourance	9	5	3	7	12	....	8	2	44	50	No	No	....	.....	.....
Liberty	Co.	W. B. Ledford, Farner, (Tenn.)	Gladys Bryant	7	8	8	8	10	15	20	....	76	60	No	No	....	78.40	.....
Mt. Pleasant	Co.	J. E. Gladson	J. Jenkins, Culberson	7	5	6	8	9	7	8	....	50	30	Yes	No	6	.....	.....
Mt. Nebo	Co.	J. T. Dockey, Grandview	Mark Farmer	6	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	60	50	.....	.....	3	.....	.....
Mt. Vernon	Co.	D. O. Bigham, Turtletown, Tenn.	H. Simonds, Wehutty	4	15	12	10	15	10	10	8	....	....	.....	.....	....	6.27	.....
Macedonia	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
Notla	Co.	E. G. White, Murphy	Winifred Burns	8	....	15	15	20	....	15	....	....	....	No	No	....	.....	.....
Oak Grove	Co.	W. E. Walker, Letitia	Purl Hais, Letitia	8	8	6	....	....	....	25	....	48	30	No	No	....	.....	No
Pleasant Grove	Co.	G. I. Hogsed, Letitia	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
Pleasant Hill, Ga.	Co.	J. B. Murrel	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
Pleasant Hill, N. C.	Co.	Ora Picklesimer	K. W. Shearer, Hiawassee	6	....	8	10	6	6	6	10	46	30	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
Persimmon Creek	Co.	B. H. Campbell	E. Stiles, Persimmon Creek	6	6	....	8	....	....	20	4	44	40	.....	.....	1	.....	.....
Shoal Creek	Co.	E. Allen, Postell	L. Allen, Postell	8	5	4	8	25	....	12	....	62	40	Yes	No	....	.....	.....
Shady Grove	Co.	J. G. Mason, Culberson	Lillie Rice, Culberson	6	10	12	12	....	....	21	....	61	38	Yes	No	....	.....	.....
Union	Co.	W. L. Johnson, Vests	Vernie Payne	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	45	40	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
Violet	Co.	Willard Graham, Violet	....	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....

Rev. Robert Bell, Moderator of West Liberty Baptist Ass.n', P. O., Culberson, N. C.

U. S. G. Phillips, Clerk of West Liberty Baptist Association, P. O., Unaka, N. C.

TABLE NO. 2.....FINANCES OF WEST LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, STATE OF N. C., FOR YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 3, 1926

CHURCH	TREASURER AND POSTOFFICE	For Support of Local Church Work								For Support of Mis. Ed. and Benevolence						
		Pastor's Salary	Ministerial Help	Bldg. and Repairs	Incidentals	Sunday School and B.Y.P.U. Expenses	Local Poor	Minute Fund, Etc	Other Objects	Co-oper- Program (Undesignated)	Home Missions	State Ass'n. Missions	Orphanage	Hospitals	Ministerial Relief	GRAND TOTAL
Beaverdam	U. S. G. Phillips, Unaka	70.85	$20.00	$	$	$15.00	$	$3.00		10.00	$3.00	$	$	$	$	$ 121.85
Bates Creek	Eli Abernathy, Murphy	60.00	12.69			10.00		.50								83.19
Culberson	J. F. Foster, Culberson	25.00				10.00	10.00	2.00								47.00
Ebenezer	W. J. Umphries, Murphy	75.00		2.00		10.00		1.20								87.50
Fairview	B. L. Fox, Ranger	26.57	26.47					1.75					1.03			55.82
Friendship	R. L. Keenum, Suit	45.00	68.00		9.00	13.10	32.50	2.51	15.00							172.01
Grape Creek	J. C. Coleman, Murphy	39.22	18.00			13.75		1.80								72.77
Hiawassee	P. C. Hogsed, Murphy	28.17						1.25								29.42
Hopewelll	Myrtle Bryant, Culberson	32.00					13.00	2.30								47.30
Liberty	J. L. Kimsey, Turtletown,	38.47	16.57	7.15			108.40	2.50	22.00			1.30	7.40			204.19
Mt. Pleasant	J. E. Gladson, Culberson	35.00	27.00			6.00	14.00	2.50								84.50
Mt. Nebo	Lillie Dockey, Grandview	40.10	41.97			7.50		1.00			1.00		3.57			96.14
Mt. Vernon	D. O. Bigham, Wehutty	32.56	14.00	41.35				2.50								90.41
Macedonia	P. W. Helton, Is'b'la, Ten.	15.50						1.50	15.00							30.50
Notla	R. H. King, Murphy	75.00		2,000.00		14.00	5.00	1.25			7.00	4.10		3.70	3.65	2,113.70
Oak Grove	L. P. Payne, Letitia	32.00	24.86			9.07	1.90	1.55								69.38
Pleas't Grove	G. I. Hogsed, Letitia	43.18	44.23			5.00	3.00	2.90			1.43	1.43				101.17
Pleas. H'l, Ga.	J. B. Burrel, Min'r'l Bluff		20.00					1.59								21.59
Ples. H'l, N.C.	J. Picklesimer, Patrick	95.00		10.00		10.00		1.92								116.92
Persimmon Cr	C. D. Rogers, P'rsim'n Ck.	36.30	47.00	250.00		5.83	3.00	1.60	21.00							366.28
Shady Grove	T. M. Rice, Culberson	53.78	10.00			51.55	5.00	2.00								120.33
Shoal Creek	G. W. Jones, Postell	49.00	48.17				1.25	1.70								90.03
Union	J. H. Payne, P'rsim'n Crk.	21.00	5.45	1.26		14.16	12.78	1.55	12.50							52.54
Violet	W. Graham, Violet	25.00				3.73		1.50								30.23

B
206.9756
M66wel

MINUTES

OF THE

SEVENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

WEST LIBERTY ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH THE MT. NEBO CHURCH 14 MILES NORTH OF MURPHY, N. C., SEPT., 29-30, OCT., 1ST, 1927

The next session will be held with the Macedonia church, 21 miles west of Murphy, N. C., beginning on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1928. Introductory sermon by Rev. R. R. Bell, J. L. Morrow Alternate.

Thursday, September 29, 1927, The West Liberty Association met according to appointment with the Mt. Nebo church, 14 miles north of Murphy, N. C.

Introductory sermon by Rev. J. P. Decker. Text, John 12:32.

Adjourned until one o'clock for refreshments.

AFTERNOON SESSION

House called to order by Rev. R. R. Bell. Devotional services and prayer by Rev. J. L. Morrow.

Appointed J. T. L. Hartness and J. P. Decker Reading clerks.

Appointed Fred Stiles Clerk Pro-tem.

Then proceeded to call for and read the letter of the various churches.

On motion that the association seat all the representatives of the various churches.

On motion to elect the officers of the association by acclamation, and elected Rev. R. R. Bell, Moderator; J. T. L. Hartness, vice moderator; Fred Stiles, clerk; and W. J. Humphries, treasurers.

Then gave an invitation to visitors and received Rev. J. A. Brendle from the Polk County Association.

COMMITTEES

On order of business, J. T. L. Hartness, J. T. Dockery and W. J. Humphres.

On preaching: J. T. Dockery, J. U. Farmer, J. W. Clayton, B. T. Helton and T. J. Roberts.

On Hospitals: Rev. T. W. Crowder and A. J. Williamson.

On Pastorial Support: M. J. Farmer and J. W. McRae.

On State of Churches: Rev. J. L. Morrow and Rev. E. A. Beaver.

On Temperance: Rev. J. T. Payne and Rev. W. D. Hogsed.

On Ministerial Relief: Rev. J. P. Decker and R. A. Helton.

On Finance: D. T. McNabb and W. H. Reece.

On Nominations: John Davis, E. J. Bandy and D. T. McNabb.

On motion J. W. McRae was seated as a delegate from the Ebernezer church.

Preaching tonight by Rev. J. L. Morrow. Preaching tomorrow at eleven o'clock by Rev. J. A. Brendle.

Report on order of business read and adopted.

On motion adjourned until nine o'clock tomorrow.

SECOND DAY

Morning Session, Friday Sept., 30, 1927.

House called to order by vice moderator.

Devotional services and prayer by J. A. Brendle.

Letters of various churches called for.

Journal of preceding day read and adpoted with necessary corrections.

Invitations given to visitors and received none.

On motion the association took up the regular routine of business.

The following committees were appointed:

On Missions: B. L. Fox and Rev. J. P. Decker.

On Orphanage: Rev. J. L. Morrow and L. N. Marr.

On Christian Education: I. P. Hawkins and J. A. Brendle.

On Periodicals: Rev. R. R. Bell and D. B. Baity.

On Sunday School: Rev. T. W. Crowder, C. D. Rogers and D. T. McNabb.

On Deceased Members: B. L. Fox and J. T. Payne.

Report on state of churches read and adopted. Discussed by Rev. E. A. Beavers, J. L. Morrow, J. P. Hawkins and W. D. Hogsed.

General discussion by Rev. J. A. Brendle.

Appointed on Executive Committee: D. T. McNabb, J. P. Decker and E. A. Beavers.

Sermon by Rev. J. A. Brendle; Text Mat. 12:12.

Adjourned until 1:30 P. M.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

House called to order by Moderator. Prayer by R. R. Bell. Gave an invitation to visitors and received Rev. J. L. Mulkey. Called for letter from other churches.

On motion J. T. L. Hartness was seated as a delegate from the Shady Grove church.

On motion the delegates from Shoal Creek, Unaka and Liberty churches were seated.

On motion the report on Christian Education was read and adopted. Discussed by Rev. J. A. Brendle.

On motion the report on Missions was read and adopted. Discussed by Rev. R. R. Bell, E. A. Beavers and others.

On motion a resolution was passed asking each church in this association to raise at least as much as five dollars for Missions.

On motion the report on Nomina ions was read and adopted.

On motion the report on deceased members was read and adopted.

On motion the report on Ministerial Relief was read and adopted. Discussed by Rev. J. P. Decker.

On motion the report on hospitals was read and adopted. Discussed by Rev. T. W. Crowder.

On motion adjourned until nine o'clock tomorrow.

Benedic ion by R. R. Bell.

THIRD DAY—SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1927

MORNING SESSION

House called to order by Moderator.

Prayer by Fred Stiles.

Report on Pastorial Support read and adopted. Discussed by J. W. McRae, M. J. Farmer and others.

On motion that this association in view of the fact that excluded members have been taken into the church on s atement. We therefore resolve to investigate at our next regular session to the end that this custom may not become legal among our churches.

On motion that this body rescind its repor on nominations regarding the place of its next meeting.

On motion that this body finish the work of the association this afternoon and adjourn until the ime and place of its next meeting.

The report on Orphanage read and discussed by Rev. L. N. Marr and E. A. Beavers. On motion took a contribution for the orphanage and received $12.12. On motion adopted the report.

Report on finance read and adopted. Amount reecived $42.13. On motion that the clerk be allowed $10.00 for his services.

Sermon by Rev. R. R. Bell. Subjec : "The Barren Fig Tree." Adjourned until one o'clock.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

House called to order by Moderator. Prayer by J. T. Dockery.

Report on Temperance read and discussed by Rev. J. T. Payne and W. D. Hogsed. On motion adopted the report.

Report of the treasurer read and adopted. Amount received for Orphanage $25.12; for Mission $8.53; total amount $33.65.

Report on periodicals read and dishussed by Rev. R. R. Bell. On motion adopted the repor .

On motion that the next session of this body be held with the Maledonia Church, 21 miles west of Mdrphy, N. C.

On motion the report on hospitality read and adopted.

On motion tha this association stand adjourned rntil time and place of next meeting.

Benediction by R. R. Bell.

ROLL OF DELEGATES

Bates Creek: T. J. Roberts, E. M. Hembree.

Beaverdam: M. F. Farmer, H. E. Barton, W. S. McClure, G. J. Crow, John Coleran.

Bethel: Ira Allen, John Davis.

Cdlberson: No letter.

Ebernezer: W. J. Umphres, J. W. McRae.

Fairview: B. L. Fox, D. B. Baity.

Friendship: W. L. McNabb, D. T. McNabb, Guy McNabb.

Grape Creek: By letter.

Hiawassee: No letter.

Hopewell: T. T. Johnson, J. M. Payne, J. L. Morrow.

Liberty: Lennis Ledford, L. M. Marr.

Mt. Pleasant: Ira Helton, B. T. Helton.

Mt Nebo: J. T. Dockery, J. U. Farmer, R. P. Radford, W. S. Clayton, J. E. Farmer, Vance Radford.

Mt. Vernon: James Powell.

Mt. Moriah: H. R. Golden.

Mt. Olive: T. F. Self, T. W. Crowder.

Macedonia: P. M. Helton, E. F. Brandy.

Oak Grove: By letter.

Pleasant Grove: W. D. Hogsed, Fred Stiles, Carl Stiles.

Pleasant Hill, Ga: J. B. Merrell.

Pleasant Hill, N. C: J. T. Payne, John Pickelsimer.

Persimmon Creek: C. D. Rogers, Ernest Stiles, B. H. Campbell.

Shoal Creek: M. M. Ledford, J. H. Suit.

Shady Grove: I. P. Hawkins, Mrs. Mattie Arp, J. T. L. Hartness.

Union: J. H. Payne, A. J. Williamson, W. H. Reece, Willis Floyd, J. P. Decker, E. A. Beavers.

Violet: Willard Graham.

REPORT ON STATE OF CHUURCHES

We your committee on State of Church submit the followin:

We find the conditions of the various churches reported.

The increase in membership is smaller this year than common. Almost even with the decrease, a coldness seems to prevail so far as we can see. Our pastors have received small salaries and we have not done much for missions and other causes. We admonish the churches to wake up and earnestly contend for the faith once delivered to the saints.

E. A. BEAVERS, Chairman
J. L. MORROW.

REPORT ON MISSIONS

Foreign, State and Home Missions which means co-operation and working together of Christian workers for the sole purpose of saving lives and souls of men and the advancement of the Kingdom of God.

The word missions means much to the saved soul and should mean much more to the lost.

Jesus Christ was the greatest missionary the world ever knew, and if we follow his command we will be missionaries. If we cannot go into foreign fields we can give of our means and help to send some one who has been called through the worship of the holy spirit.

B. L. FOX, Chairman,
J. P. DECKER.

REPORT ON HOSPITALS

We your committee on hospitals submit the following report:

Our State Baptist Hospital is located at Winston-Salem. We therefore recommend this institution to the West Liberty Association. It has 40 doctors who are all specialists. It authorities one looking after the afflicted state-wide, regardless of money or price.

T. W. CROWDER,
A. J. WILLIAMSON.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF

We the committee on Ministeritl Relief submit the following:

We find one thousand two hundred aged ministers are getting relief from our relief department. Doubtless many who are in need of help are not being provided for, se we recommend that Ministerial Relief have a large place in our future giving.

J. P. DECKER, Chairman,
R. A. HELTON.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

Jesus was the friend of orphans which was demonstrated by the raising from the dead of the widow's son of Nain. Our Baptist people in His spirit have founded our beloved Thomasville Baptist Orphanage, which cares for at least 900 orphans. It is an honor to our Master and to our church. Therefore we recommend that our Sunday Schools take offerings quarterly for this grand institution.

L. N. MARR,
J. L. MORROW.

REPORT ON PASTORIAL SUPPORT

We your committee on pastorial support submit the following:

We find that our country churches do not support their pastors sufficiently, in fact they receive less for their services than any other class of proffessional men, even less than common laborers. We urge that they be sufficiently supported to enable them to give their full time to the work of the ministry. This will better enable them to edify the churches and to win many souls for Christ

Respectfully submitted,

M. F. FARMER,

J. W. McRAE.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS

Our State Baptist paper The Biblical Recorder is published at Raleigh. It furnishes information on our work in the state, in onr homeland and in foreign lands. This information is needed in all our Baptist homes. Therefore, we recommend that our people subscribe for and read this publication constantly.

ROBERT BELL,

D. B. BOTTY.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The first thing the life of a man after he learns good from evil is to become a Christian. The next thing is to train him for service that he may be able to render to God the most effective service possible. Christian education will clearify our minds and give us a broader conception of mans relation to God and man. Evolution and all spunious teachings will be eliminated if a man receives Christian education.

Elliot said, "To educate the head and not the heart is but to turn out clever devils." All Christian people should do their utmost to educate the rising generation for God's glory.

I. P. HAWKINS,

J. A. BRENDLE.

REPORT ON DECEASED MEMBERS

We the committee on deceased members submit the following:

Mt. Olive lost one; Persimmon Creek, one; Shady Grove, two; Pleasant Grove, two, Bro. John Stiles and Sister Esta Green; Bethel, two; Friendship, three; Ebernezer, one, Bro. J. T. Kephart; Hopewell, two; Macedonia, three; Mt. Nebo, two; Shoal Creek, three; Beaverdam, 1, Bro. J. B. Brannon.

B. L. FOX, Chairman,

J. T. PAYNE.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

We find that the great evil of in-temperance is being greatly eliminated. Though it should be fought from our pulpits and in our Sunday schools and around our fireside, both by precept and example, as never before as there is much to be accomplished. We recommend that all Christian people lend a helping hand to drive the great monster that has been and now is doing so much evil to our young people. Let's go to work and let us pray that the day may soon some that we can say bone dry in deed and truth.

J. T. PAYNE,
W. D. HOGSED.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

We your committee on Sunday schools submit the following:

Our Sunday School Board is located at Nashville, Tenn. They are efficient workers in preparing the international lessons for our Sunday schools. We recommend these lessons for the West Liberty Association. We should try to do more and better work in our Sunday schools in the future than in the past.

T. W. CROWDER,
J. P. DECKER.

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS

We your committe on Nominations recommend that the next session of this body be held with the Liberty Church, 22 miles west of Murphy, N. C., on the Murphy, Notla and Soal Creek road. Te begin on Thursday before the first Sunday in October 1928. Introductory sermon by Rev. R. R. Bell, alternate, J. L. Morrow. We also recommend that there be two ministerial meetings held next year. The first to be held with the Macedonia church to embrace the fifth Sunday in October, beginning on Friday before the fifth Sunday. Second to be held with the Friendship church beginning on Friday before the fifth Sunday in July 1928. Pastors and clerks to prepare programs for said meetings.

D. T. McNABB,
E. F. BANDY,
JOHN DAVIS.

REPORT ON FINANCE

We your committee on finance submit the following:

Received $42.13 for minutes for the West Liberty Association for the session of 1927.

D. T. McNABB,
W. H. REECE.

REPORT OF TREASURER

Your treasurer submits the following report:

Received from Orphanage, $25.12; for missions, $8.53. Total $33.65.

Respectfully submitted,
W. J. UMPHRES.

REPORT ON HOSPITALITY

Resolved, That this association tender its thanks to Mt. Nebo church for the kind hospitality and courtesy shown the delegates and representatievs of this association while in session.

J. P. DECKER,
J. T. PAYNE.

TABLE I. MEMBERSHIP AND CHURCH PROPERTY OF WEST LIBERTY ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	PASTOR AND POSTOFFICE	CLERK AND POSTOFFICE	Church Membership								Regular Days of Meeting	In Village (V) In Country (Co)	Persons Seated	No. Rooms	Value Church House and Grounds	Value Pastor's Home	Total Value all Church Property
			GAINS				LOSSESS										
			Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Erasures	Total Prest. Membership							
Bates Creek	J. P. Decker, Suit.....	Eli Abernathy, Murphy.....	3	5	1		2			46	2	Co		1	$ 50.00		$ 50.00
Beaverdam	John Mulkey, Grandview.....	H. E. Barton, Unaka.....		3			3	13	1	133	3	V		1			
Bethel	J. L. Mulkey, Grandview.....	James Davis, Grandview.....	9	2					2	52	1	Co		1			
Ebenezer	J. L. Mulkey, Grandview.....	W. J. Umphres, Murphy.....	10						1	108	2	Co		1	600.00		600.00
Fairview	N. O. Kilpatrick, Ranger.....	B. L. Fox, Ranger.....		1		1	2			63	4	Co	400	1			
Friendship	W. G. Sparks, Maryville, Tenn.	W. W. Anderson, Suit.....		3			8	3	3	157	3	V		1	2000.00		2000.00
Grape Creek	J. T. Payne.....	Joseph Coleman, Murphy.....	1	5		1	6	2		89	4	Co	200	1	1000.00		1000.00
Hopewell	P. H. Chastain, Culberson....	Myrtle Bryant, Culberson.....					1		2	127	4	Co	350	1	1000.00	700.	1700.00
Liberty	J. A. Brendle, Ducktown Tenn.	J. L. Kimsey, Turtletown, Ten.	16	10	2					159	1	Co		1	500.00		500.00
Mt. Pleasant ...	Ira Helton, Culberson.....	Earl Mundy, Culberson.....	6							170	2	Co		1	500.00	150.	650.00
Mt. Nebo	E. A. Beavers, Suit.....	Lillie Dockery, Grandview.....					3		2	81	3	Co		1			
Mt. Vernon	J. R. Hamilton, Turtletown T.	D. O. Bigham, Turtletown, Ten	5	2			3			88	2	Co	400	1	1000.00		1000.00
Mt. Olive	E. A. Beavers, Suit.....	T. F. Self, Postell.....	10						1	47	1	Co	200	1	500.00		500.00
Mt. Morah	R. R. Bell	F. H. Cole, Culberson, Rt. 2..	12			2				115	3	Co	300	1	500.00		500.00
Macedonia	L. N. Marr, Turtletown, Tenn.	E. F. Bandy, Culberson, Rt. 2	5	2			1		3	88	1	Co	350	1	1300.00		1300.00
Oak Grove	C. F. Conley, Blairsville, Ga..	L. P. Payne, Letitia.....		4						23	1	Co	100	1	500.00		500.00
Pleasant Grove .	J. P. Decker, Suit.....	G. I. Hogsed, Birch.....	5	1		3	12	2	2	96	4	Co	200	1	500.00		500.00
Pleasant Hill, Ga.	Ira Helton, Culberson.....	J. B. Merrell, Mt. B. Ga.....		3			2		1	101	1	Co	200	1	300.00		300.00
Pleasant Hill N.C	W. S. Kimsey, Postell.....	John Picklesimer, Patrick.....	8			1	6	2		77	2	Co	200	1	1000.00		1000.00
Persimmon Creek	J. P. Decker, Suit.....	C. D. Rogers, Persimmon Crk.	10	1			4	2	1	74	4	Co	150	1	700.00		700.00
Shoal Creek	C. F. Conley, Blairsville, Ga..	T. M. Allen, Postell.....	6	1			1	3		160	4	Co	500	1	1200.00		1200.00
Shady Grove ...	E. D. Cole, Culberson.....	J. M. Anderson, Culberson....	6	8		1	2		2	91	3	Co	300	1	500.00	500.	1000.00
Union	E. A. Beavers, Suit.....	Ben Reece, Vest.....	16	15			10	1		75	3	Co	250	1	500.00		500.00
Violet	J. T. Dugan, Unaka.....	Willard Graham, Violet.....	7	2	5	3				70	1	Co					
Hiawassee no let.																	

R. R. Bell Moderator, West Liberty Association, Culberson, N. C.

Fred Stiles, Clerk, West Liberty Baptist Association, Murphy, N. C.

TABLE II. SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF WEST LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, OCTOBER 1927

CHURCHES	Is it a Village, Town, City or Country Church?	SECRETARIES AND POST OFFICES	S. S. ENROLLMENT											
			Officers & Teachers	Beginners 2-5 Years	Primaries 6-8 Years	Junior 9-12 Years	Inter. 13-16 Years	Young People 17-24	Adults 35 Yrs. Up	Cradle Roll Under 3	Total Enrollment	What is Your Average Attendance?	Gifts to Local Church Work
Bates Creek	Co	Vesta Decker Murphy.....	5	3	3	3	2	5	5	4	30	23	$10.00
Beaverdam	V	W. S. McClure, Unaka....	5	6	5	7	5	10	8	4	50	40	10.00
Bethel	Co	Henry Davis, Grandview...	6	10	10	8	5	11	15		65	50	5.00
Ebenezer	Co	Lola McDonald, Murphy...	7	4	5	4	9	9	6		45	40	6.36
Fairview	V	S. S. Akin, Ranger.....	5	2	4	4	6	10	9		39	35	
Friendship	V	Oma Decker, Suit.....	8	8	9	10	14	15	11		75	50	35.00
Grape Creek	Co	Janie Hall, Murphy.....											
Hopewell	Co	Irene Newman, Culberson..	6	7	6	9	12	10	15		63	35	10.00
Liberty	Co		6	10	12	6	13	20			67	50	6.94
Mt. Pleasant ...	Co	Jessee Jenkins, Culberson..	7	5	6	8	10	10			46	35	8.00
Mt. Nebo	Co												
Mt. Vernon	Co	F. Bigham, Turtletown, Ten	4	10	20	10	8		10	6	70	50	
Mt. Olive	Co	Ellen Dehart, Postell.....	5		14				15		35	25	5.41
Mt. Morah	Co	Florence Ballew, Culberson.	6	6	12	15	15	15	4	3	60	45	8.00
Macedonia	Co	T. H. Burger, Culberson...	5	22		24			17		68	50	
Oak Grove	Co	T. P. Hayes, Letitia.....	7	9	7		3		15	6	47	25	10.84
Pleasant Grove .	Co	Emma Greene, Letitia.....	7	5	6	3	8	4	12	5	47	35	6.50
Pleasant Hill, Ga.	Co	Bessie Farmer, Me. B. Ga..	7	4	6	4	6	8	17	3	55	40	6.00
Pleasant Hill N.C	Co	Walter Payne, Patrick.....	5		6	6			8		25		10.00
Persimmon Creek	Co	Vernie Rogers, Per. Creek..	5	8	4	8	4	5	15	5	54	30	9.00
Shoal Creek	Co	Lexie Allen, Postell.....	7		5	8	6	25	15		67	40	10.00
Shady Grove ...	Co	Lillie Rice, Culberson.....	4		12	6			20		38	30	4.00
Union	Co	Adale Mashburn, Vest.....									35		11.75
Violet	Co	Lottie Murphy, Violet.....	5	10	11	13	5	11	13	12	68	40	6.48
Hiawassee no let.													

R. R. Bell, Moderator, West Liberty Baptist Association, Culberson, N. C.

Fred Stiles, Clerk, West Liberty Baptist Association, Murphy, N. C.

TABLE II. FINANCE OF WEST LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR YEAR YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 2, 1927.

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	For Support of Local Church Work											
		Pastor's Salary	Ministrial Hepl	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Sunday School and B.Y.P.U. Expense	Local Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects	Missions	Orphanage	Ministerial Relief	Grand Total
Bates Creek	Eli Abernathy, Murphy.....	$ 60.00	$28.03		1.00			1.00		25.00	15.00		130.00
Beaverdam	H. E. Barton, Unaka.....	20.85	15.00					2.05					37.90
Bethel	John Davis, Grandview.....	30.00	6.00			5.00	60.00	.40					101.40
Ebenezer	W. J. Humphries, Murphy....	21.00	5.90					1.50					28.40
Fairview	B. L. Fox, Ranger.....	12.00	2.50					2.00			3.00		19.50
Friendship	W. N. Anderson, Suit.....	102.77	14.38	82.75				2.45	31.10				268.40
Grape Creek	Joseph Coleman, Murphy.....	23.51	2.50	3.60	3.00			.85					33.46
Hopewell	J. W. Bryant, Culberson.....	41.00		7.50			15.00						74.00
Liberty	J. L. Kimsey, Turtletown Tenn	83.00	30.00		14.00	6.97	15.00	2.25		5.50	5.00		153.42
Mt. Pleasant ...	Earl Mundy, Culberson.....	40.00				8.00		1.75					49.75
Mt. Nebo	Lillie Dockery, Grandview.....	48.30	9.58					2.00			4.00		66.41
Mt. Vernon													
Mt. Olive	T. J. Self, Postell.....	40.37	3.00				15.00	1.35					59.72
Mt. Morah	H. R. Golden, Culberson, Rt 2.	60.00			3.50		12.00	2.00					77.50
Macedonia	E. F. Bardy, Culberson.....	24.00	26.13		9.00			2.00			5.00		66.13
Oak Grove	L. P .Payne, Letitia.....	30.10				10.84		1.50					42.44
Pleasant Grove .	G. I. Hogsed, Birch.....	63.82	12.71	7.00		6.50		2.00		3.00	1.00		96.03
Pleasant Hill, Ga.		27.00	7.50			6.00		2.00	48.00				90.50
Pleasant Hill N.C	John Pickelsimer, Patrick.....		14.66					1.50					16.16
Persimmon Creek	J. A. Williamson, Per Creek..	61.00	12.00		2.00	9.00		2.00			2.70		88.70
Shoal Creek	G. W. Jones, Postell.....	85.80	21.55			10.00	160.00	3.00					281.35
Shady Grove ...	J. M. Anderson.....	100.00	14.00					2.00		2.00	3.00	2.00	123.00
Union	J. H. Payne, Persimmon Creek	58.00	35.40		11.95	11.75		2.00					119.10
Violet	Willard Graham, Violet.....	49.76	20.74	100.00		6.48		1.85	4.15				182.98
Hiawassee no let.													

R. R. Bell Moderator, West Liberty Association, Culberson, N. C.

Fred Stiles, Clerk, West Liberty Baptist Association, Murphy, N. C.

B
206.9756
M66 weL

MINUTES

OF THE

SEVENTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

WEST LIBERTY ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

MACEDONIA CHURCH

OCT. 4, 5, 6th, 1928

21 MILES WEST OF

Murphy, N. C.

The next session will be held with the Pleasant Grove Church 7 miles west of Murphy, N. C., beginning on Friday, before the first Sunday in October, 1929. Introductory sermon by Rev. L. N. Marr. Alternate Rev. J. T. Payne.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1928.

The West Liberty Association met according to appointment with the Macedomia Church 21 miles west of Murphy, N. C.

Introductory sermon by Rev. J. L. Morrow. Text: Eph. 4: 1st and 11th verses.

Adjaurned until one-thirty o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

House called to order by Rev. R. R. Bell. Prayer by Fred Stiles.

Appointed J. T. L. Hartness and Joseph Coleman reading clerks. Then called for the reading of the letters of the various churches.

On motion that the association seat all the representatives of the various churches. On motion to elect the officers of the association which resulted in the election of Rev. R. R. Beal, moderator, Rev. L. N. Marr, Vice-Moderator, Fred Stiles, clerk, and Rev. J. T. Payne, Treasurer.

On motion we received the New Hope Church into this association.

COMMITTEES ON ORDER OF BUSINESS.

J. T. L. Hartness on motion adopted the order of business of the last session of this association.

On motion the association took up the investigation of the Liberty Church with reference to its receiving excluded members from the Union Church. After some discussion of the question it was agreed to submit the investigation to a committee of five not interested in the result of the investigation. Said committee to investigate during the noon hour tomorrow and report to the association tomorrow afternoon. It was further agreed that the interested parties should accept the report of the committee as a final settlement of the question. (See report.)

The following committee was appointed: J. T. L. Hartness, P. H. Chastain, F. R. Carter, W. D. Hogsed and Joseph Coleman.

On preaching: Rev. L. N. Marr, B. T. Helton and E. J. Brandy.

On hospitals: J. L. Morrow and E. A. Beavers.

On pastorial support: Joseph Coleman and A. E. Clark.

On state of churches: J. T. Payne and T. W. Crowder.

The preaching committee responded as follows: Preaching tonight by Rev. J. T. Payne. Preaching tomorrow by Rev. J. A. Brnedle.

On motion adjaurned until nine o'clock tomorrow.

SECOND DAY, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1928.

MORNING SESSION.

House called to order by Moderator. Prayer by Rev. F. R. Carter.

Called for letters of the various churches.

On motion to seat the delegates of the churches excepting Union Church.

On motion that this body investigate irregularities in the Pleasant Hill, Ga., Church and appointed B. L. Fox, J. M. Payne and P. H. Chastan as committee to investigate. (See report of committee.)

Invitation given to visitors and received Bro. W. A. Adams and W. J. Martin from the Western North Carolina Association and Bro. A. Y. Griffin and Bro. Fred West from the Polk County and French Broad Associations respectfully. Also Miss Dell Huggins of the Woman's Missionary Union from Raleigh, N. C.

On motion that Bro. J. T. L. Hartness and son Cecil Hartness, be received as messengers from the Shady Grove Church.

The following committees were appointed:

On Temperance: Rev. J. A. Brendle and W. D. Hogsed.

On Ministerial Relief: Rev. T. W. Crowder and B. L. Fox.

On Finance: T. J. Self and C. D. Rogers.

On Nominations: J. M. Payne, B. T. Helton and Fred Stiles.

On Missions: J. L. Morrow and W. H. Martin.

On Orphanage: L. P. Payne, J. T. L. Hartness.

On Christian Education: Rev. P. H. Chastain and W. A. Adams.

On Periodicals: J. T. Payne and J. M. Payne.

Son Sunday Schools: L. M. Marr and Fred West.

On Deceased Members: W. D. Hogsed and J. T. Payne.

On Women's Work: Mrs. E. G. Bandy and Miss Della Huggins.

On mition the report on Hospitals was read and adopted. Discussed by Rev. L. N. Marr, R. R. Bell and J. A. Brendle.

Sermon by Rev. J. A. Brendle. Text Matt. 25:8.

Adjourned until one o'clock.

Benediction by R. R. Bell

AFTERNOON SESSION.

House called to order by Moderator. Prayer by Rev. L. N. Marr.

Called for letters and received none.

Gave an invitation to visitors and received none.

Report on Christian Education read and adopted. Discussed by W. A. Adams and R. R. Bell.

Report on Women's Work read and adopted. Discussed by Miss Della Huggins. On motion appointed Miss or Mrs. Rosa Johnson as W. M. U. worker for this association.

Report of investigating committee with reference to Liberty Church read and adopted.

Report on Ministerial Support read and adopted. Discussed by Rev. Fred West and T. W. Crowder.

On motion received the letter of Union Church and to seat the delegates of the said church.

On motion retained the executive committee of last year viz.: D. T. McNabb, E. A. Beavers and J. P. Decker.

On motion adjourned until nine o'clock tomorrow.

Benediction by W. D. Hogsed.

Preaching tonight by Rev. Fred Stiles followed by Rev. E. A. Beavers. Preaching tomorrow by Rev. Fred West.

THIRD DAY, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1928.

House called to order by Moderator. Devotional services by Rev. R. R. Bell. Prayer by W. D. Hogsed.

On motion that we limit the future sessions ofthisassociation to two days to embrace Friday and Saturday before the first Sunday in October. Sessions to begin at nine o'clock A. M. on Friday.

On motion that all the churches report their pastors and clerks for the ensuing year in their letters to the association.

On motion that we appoint committee chairmans for the various subjects to be discussed at our next annual session.

On motion that we omit the reading of our church letters at our next regular session.

Report on Temperance read and discussed by Rev. W. D. Hogsed, E. A. Beavers and J. L. Morrow. On motion adopted the report.

Report on state of churches read and discussed by Rev. J. T. Payne, R. R. Bell and W. D. Hogsed. On motion adopted the report.

Report on Orphanage read and discussed by Rev. Fred West, Miss Della Huggins and J. L. Morrow. On motion adopted the report.

Report on Pastorial Support read and adopted. Discussed by Joseph Coleman, Miss Della Huggins and L. N. Marr.

On motion the report with regard to irregularities of the Pleasant Hill, Ga., Church was read and adopted.

Sermon by Rev. Fred West. Text Rom: 1st chapter and parts of 12th, 13th and 14th verses.

Adjourned until one o'clock.

Benediction by Rev. R. R. Bell.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

House called to order by Moderator. Prayer by Rev. J. L. Morrow. Then took up the regular routine of business.

Report on Periodicals read and adopted. Discussed by Rev. Fred West and W. A. Adams.

Report on Nominations read and adopted.

Report on Deceased Members read and adopted.

Report on Finance read and adopted.

Report on Hospitality read and adopted.

Report on Sunday Schools read and adopted. Discussed by Rev. L. N. Marr and Fred West.

On motion took an offering for the Thomasville Orphanage. Amount received $11.00.

On motion authorized the clerk to write the report on missions. Discussed by Miss Della Huggins.

Report of Treasurer read and adopted.

On motion that we allow the Clerk ten dollars for his services.

On motion adjourned until time and place of next meeting. Benediction by R. R. Bell.

ROLL OF DELEGATES.

BATES CREEK: By Letter.
BEAVERDAM: John Moss.
CULBERSON: By Letter.
EBENEZER; By Letter.
FAIRVIEW: B. L. Fox, W. H. Martin.
FRIENDSHIP: T. D. Hickey, Clinton Keenum, Haden Hickey, W. L. McNabb.
GRAPE CREEK: Joseph Coleman, H. D. Panther.
HOPEWELL: P. H. Chastain, John Morrow, A. Rice, J. M. Payne.
LIBERTY: L. N. Marr, L. L. Ledford.
MACEDONIA: E. T. Bandy. P. W. Helton, A. E. Clore, F. R. Carter.
MT. MORIAH: R. R. Bell, L. N. Cole.
MT. NEBO: By Letter.
MT. OLIVE: T. J. SELF, T. W. CROWDER.
MT. PLEASANT: R. R. Bell, B. T. Helton.
NEW HOPE: N. L. Prince, J. M. Trantham.
OAK GROVE: L. P. Payne.
PERSIMMON CREEK: C. D. Rogers, Erin Stiles.
PLEASANT GROVE: W. D. Hogsed, Fred Stiles.
PLEASANT HILL, GA.: G. M. Davis.

PLEASANT HILL, N. C.: J. T. Payne, John Picklesimer.

SHOAL CREEK: By Letter.

UNION: A. J. Williamson, W. H. Reece, E. A. Beaver, Vernie Payne, Icy Payne.

VIOLET: By Letter.

SHADY GROVE: By Delegates only, J. T. L. Hartness, Cecil Hartness.

REPORT ON STATE OF CHURCHES.

We your committee on State of Churches submit the following:

The increase of the various churches as reported show an increase of only fifty-three members by baptism. These figures compared with former years show a spiritual decline. This ought not to be the case. Let us as disciples of our Lord wake up and do more for the Lord's cause the ensuing year than we have in the past.

T. W. CROWDER
J. T. PAYNE.

REPORT ON HOSPITALS.

Jesus ministered to the sick persistently when He was in the flesh. We need strong healthy bodies to serve God. We have our Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem to carry on for Jesus in this work. It is well equipped to care for the sick.

We therefore recommend it to our people.

J. L. MORROW
E. A. BEAVERS.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

We your committee on Ministerial Relief submit the following. Our Southern Baptist Relief Board located at Dallas, Texas, owing to the limited amount of funds in the treasury have decreased the

The Board fears that if the Southern Baptist Churches do not support given its beneficiaries to the amount of fifty per cent. rally to the cause that they will be compelled to suspend the relief to the aged ministers.

T. W. CROWDER
B. L. FOX.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

We your committee submit the following report:

The Baptist people seeing the need of a home for the orphan children of our denomination have made a great effort to supply this need by erecting a home at Thomasville, N. C. It belongs to

us. It therefore becomes our Christian duty to give our loyal support to this home. Jesus has said inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least of these ye did it unto Me.

Can we as Christians enjoy the good the Lord has given us and let His little orphan children suffer for lack of food and raiment. We therefore recommend that special offerings be made by every church for this home during the year.

F. C. WEST
L. P. PAYNE.

REPORT ON PASTORIAL SUPPORT.

We your committee submit the following: We find that the churches are failing to support their pastors as they should and thereby the Lord's cause is suffering. Our pastor's are failing to teach giving as a part of the worship. The deacons are also failing to do their duty. The churches are becoming anti Missionary in this line of work. We urge that our churches do more fo their pastors.

JOSEPH COLEMAN
A. E. CLORE.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The Baptists of North Carolina have two papers, The Biblical Recorder and Charity and Children. The South wide paper is Home and Foreign Field priced one dollar. The W. M. U. publishes two missionary magazines, the Roval Service for the women and World Comrades for the children. These papers should go into the home of every Baptist in this association. Our denominational literature is second to none and should be in all our Sunday Schools. Our people are going to read something therefore they should have the best because what they read will largely determine what kind of people they shall be. Therefore we recommend that they give their loyal support by subscribing for one or more of these periodicals.

J. T. PAYNE
J. M. BRYANT.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

Everyone realizes the importance of education. More than the intellectual development, however, we would stress the importance of religious education. This cannot be given in the state schools because of the eparation of church and state. Education without moral training is dangerous, for there are college graduates to be found in penitentiaries. It is said in one of the New England states by a noted author that there has not been a bit of high financial

juggling, or a plundering of a railroad, or the fraudulent bankruptcy of a big corporation without the graduates of a certain college being involved. An educated man is a more dangerous man if he is dishonest. Our denominational schools and colleges especially stress character education, and your committee holds that it is impossible to develop high moral standard without religious training. We should send our sons and daughters to our own institutions whenever possible. Our schools and colleges should be liberally supported by our gifts and prayers that they may hold the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints.

P. H. CHASTAIN
W. A. ADAMS.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The question of temperance should not be treated lightly because of its destructive and deadly work. Ninety-five per cent of all crimes brought into our courts at a great expense to the county and state are the result of intemperance. Not only is this true but the loss of life and property sorrow and destruction of the sohl. This loss is eternal. One hrndred thousand widows and orphans are left in our country annually as a result of intoxicating drinks. Seventy-five per cent of all saloons are owned and operated by Catholic adherents. We urge all Christians and all people who love home and country to vote a dry ticket for the sake of the rising generation. What a grave responsibility rests today upon the fathers and mothers and citizens of America. God will surely hold us responsible for the way we cast our ballot. Brethren we urge one and all to look well to the interest of home, state and church that the world may be made better and that God may have the glory.

J. A. BRENDLE
W. D. HOGSED.

REPORT ON MISSIONS.

One of the great commands of Jesus Christ admonishes us to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.

We endeavor to serve the Lord with sincere hearts and neglect to heed the great command of the Master by our failure to send the gospel not only to the foreign fields but our homeland as well. The fields are white unto harvest and the laborers are few.

May we become awakened to the fact that opportunities are swiftly passing and souls are being lost without the privilege of knowing the Lord in the salvation of their souls.

We should strive to become worthy of the term Missionary

Baptists by our efforts to make possible the preaching of the gospel to all the world.

FRED STILES.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We your committee on Sunday Schools submit the following:

Our Sunday School Board is located at Nashville, Tenn. They are efficient workers in preparing the international lessons for our Sunday Schools. We recommend these lessons for the West Liberty Association. We should try to do more and better work in our Sunday Schools in the future than in the past. We want to insist on our pastors this year to make a special effort to enlist all our young people in active Sunday School work because we find that the majority of our converts come from the Sunday Schools and future hope of our churches hinges on our efforts to save the young people.

L. N. MARR
F. C. WEST.

REPORT ON W. M. U. WORK.

The Woman's Missionary work is as old as the gospel. Luke 8:1-3 gives the account of a group of women paying the expenses of Christ and the disciples journey throughout the cities and villages. They continued to be helpers throughout Christ's earthly ministry and were last at the cross and last at the grace where Jesus met them and sent them with the first resurrection message. Acts 1:12-5 shows that the women were with the one hundred and twenty who arried for the coming of the Holy Spirit. Acts 16:13-15 gives the account of Paul's preaching to the women of Philipi. Philipians 4:3 he says help those women who labored with Me in the gospel. Romans 16:1 Paul commands Phoebe to them and asks them to receive her and assist her in whatever business she has need of them. The Woman's Missionary Union Auxiliary of the S. B. C. is just a continuation of the work started during Christ's earthly ministry. Their watchwork is labor together with Christ. 1 Cor. 3:9.

The watchword for the year 1928-1929 is enlarge spane not lengthen strengthen.—Isa. 542.

CHIEF AIMS.

(1)—Prayer individual and united. (2)—Bible study. (3)—Mission study. (4)—Soul winning. (5)—Enlstment and training for service. (6)—Organized personal service in His name. (7)—Systematic and proportional giving.

We recommend to the pastors and churches of this association that you encourage the women and young people in your churches to organize Missionary Societies. We also recommend that this association elect a woman whose duty it will be to encourage the W. M. U. work throughout the association. For information about the work write Mrs. Edna R. Harris, Corresponding Secretary, 215 Recorder Building, Raleigh, N. C. You can secure the Missionary magazines. Royal Service, price 50 cents; World Comrades, price $1.00, from the W. M. U. headquarters, Birmingham, Ala.

Respectfully submitted,
MISS DELLA HUGGINS
BRS. BERTHA BANDY.

REPORT OF INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE OF LIBERTY CHURCH.

We your committee to investigate the irregularities between Liberty and Union churches beg leave to submit the following:

We find that the Union church is in the right and Liberty in the wrong. We therefore recommend that Liberty church set herself in order by rescinding their work in receiving excluded memzers

J. T. L. HARTNESS,
P. H. CHASTAIN,
F. R. CARTER,
W. D. HOGSED,
JOSEPH COLEMAN,
Committee.

REPORT OF INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE. OF THE PLEASANT HILL, GA., CHURCH.

We your committee on the question of seating the delegates of the Pleasant Hill, Ga., Church find that the rumors are sufficient to debar said delegates from a seat in this body.

P. H. CHASTAIN
J. M. PAYNE
B. L. FOX

REPORT OF DECEASED MEMBERS.

We your committee on deceased members submit the following:

Friendship Church has lost one, Bro. J. B. Stiles; Macedonia three, Sister Annie Carter, Sister Delia Hyatt and Bro. A. J. Bell. Hopewell two, Sister Georgia Johnson and Bertha Ellis; Mt. Nebo one, Bro. John Woody; Beaverdam three, Bro. Marion Brannon, Bro. J. K. Bryson and Sister Minnie Barnes; Ebenezer one, Bro.

John E. Graves; Pleasant Grove two, Sister Lucy Barton, Sister Angaline Panther; Fairview one, Bro. G. M. Walker; Union two, Sister Mary Stiles, Bro. Irving Johnson; Liberty four, Bro. Onderson Pack, John Robertson, Isum Picklesimer and Sister Mattie Robertson; Mount Morviah two, Bro. A. L. Brown, Sister M. L. Ballew; Violet one, Bro. J. E. Graham; Grape Creek one, Sister Hattie Reese; Shoal Creek one, Bro. Elijah Montgomery; Culberson one, Bro. Verner Collins; Bates Creek one, Sister Sarah Ashe.

J. T. PAYNE
W. D. HOGSED.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Margaret Ann Carter, wife of Rev. F. R. Carter and daughter of William and Letty Payne, born March 1st, 1852, deceased February 28, 1928. Age 75 years, 11 months and 28 days.

This sister became a Christian in her girlhood days and was baptized by Rev. Thomas Higdon. Her life like sunshines has brightened the way of all who became acquainted with her. Like Mary a student at the feet of her Lord she learned lessons which exalted her in the Christ like way.

She had many quotations of scripture hid in her heart by which she knew not to sin. She was ever ready to converse with ministers and laymen about the Holy Scriptures. Her hospitality was unexcelled in her community, together with her husband her home was made a home for all working ministers. Her last illness was caused by her falling in the church yard from which fall she recovered and lived some days. When she got able to go for her meals would spread her pale hands on the table and give thanks. She always remembered this duty when well.

She is gone and left a husband, three sisters, one brother and one child to mourn their loss, their loss being her gain. Gone for a little while.

Gently her passing spirit fled
Sustained by grace divine
Oh may such grace on us be shed
And make our end like thine.
Farewell for a little while.

REV. T. W. CROWDER.

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS.

We your committee on Nominations recommend that the next session of this body be held with the Pleasant Grove Church seven miles west of Murphy to begin on Friday before the first Sunday

in October, 1929. Introductory sermon by Rev. L. N. Marr, alternate, Rev. J. T. Payne.

B. T. HELTON
J. M. PAYNE
FRED STILES.

COMMITTEES.

ON MISSIONS ..... J. L. MORROW
ON STATE OF CHURCHES ..... J. T. PAYNE
ON PERIODICALS ..... L. N. MARR
ON PASTORIAL SUPPORT ..... JOSEPH COLEMAN
ON TEMPERANCE ..... P. H. CHASTAIN
ON HOSPITALS ..... E. A. BEAVERS
ON ORPHANAGE ..... T. W. CROWDER
ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF ..... B. L. FOX
ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ..... J. T. L. HARTNESS

REPORT O FTREASURER.

We have received from the various churches for missions and orphanage a total of $47.98 with an additional offering of $11.00 for orphanage, making a grand total of $58.98.

J. T. PAYNE.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

We your committee on Finance submit the following:
Total amount of money received for Minutes $37.64.

C. D. ROGERS
T. G. SELF.

REPORT ON HOSPITALITY.

Resolved that this body tender its heartfelt thanks to Macedonia church and community for the wonderful kindness and hospitality received from them.

ROBERT BELL.

TABLE NO. I.—MEMBERSHIP AND CHURCH PROPERTY OF WEST LIBERTY ASSOCIATION.

CHURCHES	PASTOR AND POSTOFFICE	CLERK AND POSTOFFICE	Church Membership — Gains: Baptisms	Gains: Letters	Gains: Statements	Gains: Restorations	Losses: Letters	Losses: Exclusions	Total Present Membership	Reg Days Meeting	In Village (V) In County (Co.)	Persons Seated	Value Church House and Grounds	Total Value All Church Property
Bates Creek	A. M. Ashe, Murphy, Route 3	Eli Abernathy, Murphy, Route 3	1	3	..	1	2	..	51	2	Co.	...	50	50
Beaverdam	J. D. Moses, Unaka	H. E. Barton, Unaka	11	3	..	..	..	3	160	3	V.	300	500	500
Culberson	R. R. Bell, Sweetgum, Ga.	T. H. Crofts, Culberson	.	..	..	..	..	..	60	..	V.	...	....	....
Ebenezer	J. L. Mulkey, Grandview	W. J. Umphres, Murphy, route 3	.	..	..	..	..	3	104	2	Co.	250	1000	1000
Fairview	N. O. Kilpatrick, Murphy, Route 2	B. L. Fox, Murphy, Route 2	6	..	..	..	2	..	66	4	V	300	....	....
Friendship	E. A. Beavers, Suit	W. N Anderson, Suit	2	..	..	1	7	..	155	3	V.	...	2000	2000
Grape Creek	A. M. Ashe, Murphy, Route 3	Joseph Coleman, Murphy, Route 3	9	1	..	..	2	3	99	4	Co.	300	1000	1000
Hopewell	C. F. Martin, Murphy, Route 2	A. Rice, Culberson	7	..	..	..	6	..	112	4	Co.	300	1000	1000
Liberty	L. N. Marr, Turtletown, Tenn.	J. L. Kimsey, Turtletown, Tenn.	.	..	..	..	5	..	134	1	Co.	...	500.	500
Macedonia	L. N. Marr, Turtletown, Tenn.	E. F. Bandy, Culberson, Route 2	2	1	..	..	2	..	87	1	Co.	300	1000	1000
Mt. Moriah	R. R. Bell, Sweetgum, Ga.	Mrs. T. H. Cole, Culberson	.	..	..	..	..	..	103	3	Co.	250	300	300
Mt. Nebo	J. D. Moses, Unaka	Lillie Dockery, Grandview	3	..	..	..	1	..	80	2	Co.	...	....	....
Mt. Olive	E. A. Beaver, Suit	T. F. Self, Postell	2	..	..	..	..	1	48	1	Co.	400	500	500
Mt. Pleasant	R. R. Bell, Sweet Gum, Ga.	T. B. Ledford, Culberson	2	..	..	..	..	..	176	..	Co.	...	....	....
New Hope	L. N. Marr, Turtletown, Tenn.	N. L. Quince, Isabella, Tenn.	5	..	7	..	3	..	68	..	Co.	...	....	....
Oak Grove	J. P. Decker, Suit	L. P. Payne, Letitia	.	7	..	..	..	..	30	3	Co.	...	....	....
Persimmon Creek	J. P. Decker, Suit	C. D. Rogers Persimmon Creek	4	..	..	3	12	3	66	1	Co.	200	800	.800
Pleasant Grove	Fred Stiles, Murphy, Route 2	W. E. Payne, Birch	1	3	1	.1	5	3	.89	.4	Co	200	.500	.500
Pleasant Hill, Ga.	G. M. Davis, Mineral Bluff, Ga.	N. B. Davis, Mineral Bluff, Ga.	.	5	..	..	1	..	104	1	Co.	300	150	150
Pleasant Hill, N. C.	L. N. Marr, Turtletown, Tenn.	J. Picklesimer, Patrick	1	..	..	1	1	2	76	2	Co.	200	1000	1000
Shoal Creek	Carl Loudermilk, Isabella, Tenn.	T. M. Allen, Postell	.	..	..	..	4	..	155	4	Co	500	1200	1200
Union	E. A. Beavers, Suit	Ben Reece, Vest	.	2	..	..	3	..	72	2	Co.	250	1000	1000
Violet	J. D. Moses, Unaka	Mrs. Lottie Murphy, Violet	.	1	..	..	3	5	61	1	Co.	200	.500	.500

TABLE NO. II. FINANCE OF WEST LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 6, 1982.

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POSTOFFICES	FOR SUPPORT OF LOCAL CHURCH WORK											
		Pastor's Salary	Ministerial help	Bldg. and Repairs	Incidentals	Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Expense	Local Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects	Missions	Orphanage	Ministerial Relief	Grand Total
Bates Creek	Eli Abernathy, Murphy	60.00	17.58	.....	.....	10.00	15.00	.95	.....	.....	.....	...	103.53
Beaverdam	M. J. Farmer, Unaka	48.37	20.00	.....	.....	12.00	25.00	2.17	.....	.....	.....	...	107.54
Culberson	T. H. Crofts, Culberson	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 51	.....	.....	.....	...	.....
Ebenezer	W. J. Umphres, Murphy	23.65	1.65	418.96	.....	5.00	.....	1.10	.....	.....	.....	...	450.36
Fairview	B. L. Fox, Murphy, Route 2	53.55	33.93	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.66	.....	3.09	2.00	....	94.14
Friendship	W. N. Anderson, Suit	72.27	64 28	.....	2.00	.....	.....	3.00	.....	14.07	4.71	....	208.33
Grape Creek	Joseph Coleman, Murphy, Route 3	13 18	7.62	2.50	.60	12.21	.....	.60	.....	.....	.....	....	36.71
Hopewell	J. M. Bryant, Culberson	45.80	1.70	.....	12.00	.....	.....	2.00	.....	7.28	.....	...	68.78
Liberty	J. L. Kimsey, Turtletown, Tenn.	68.32	6.40	.....	2.00	14.00	18.00	2.30	.....	.....	.....	....	111.02
Macedonia	E. F. Bandy, Culberson, Route 2.	40.00	7.00	.....	.....	10.00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	....	59.00
Mt. Moriah	J. N. Bell, Culberson	60.00	.....	.....	1.00	6.00	20 00	1.50	.....	.....	5.00	....	93.5o
Mt. Nebo	Lillie Dockery, Grandview	58.34	18 73	.....	.....	10.00	10.00	1.40	.....	.....	2.20	....	100.67
Mt. Olive	T. J. Self, Postell	28.62	6.55	.....	.....	5.75	10.00	1.50	.....	2.00	.....	....	52.42
Mt. Pleasant	T. B. Ledford, Culberson	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.00	.....	1 00	.....	2.00	.....	....	9.00
New Hope	N. L. Prince, Isabella, Tenn.	9.45	.....	5.00	.....	4.51	.....	1.75	.....	.....	.....	....	20.71
Oak Grove	L. P. Payne, Letitia	33.77	12.05	.....	.....	7.70	.....	1.50	.....	.....	.....	....	55.02
Persimmon Creek	J. A. Williamson, Persimmon Ck	68.00	2 50	.....	3.00	7.00	.....	1.40	23.00	3.	2.	....	109.90
Pleasant Grove	G. I. Hogsed, Birch	102.00	14.00	.....	.....	6.00	4.12	2.45	.....	3.00	1.00	1 00	133.57
Pleasant Hill, Ga.	N. B. Davis, Mineral Bluff, Ga.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.00	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
Pleasant Hill, N. C.	J. Picklesimer, Patrick	30.00	.....	.....	2.00	5.00	.....	1.15	.....	.....	.....	...	38.15
Shoal Creek	G. W. Jones, Postell	100.00	.....	.....	.....	12.00	100.	1.40	.....	7.45	.....	....	219.45
Union	J. H. Payne, Persimmon Creek	75.10	9.45	.....	1.55	11.00	3.50	2.00	.....	3.00	2.00	...	107.60
Violet	Zack Davis, Violet	25.00	.....	150.00	.....	.....	2.00	1.00	.....	3.61	.....	...	185.11

TABLE NO. III.—SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF WEST LIBERTY ASSOCIATION, OCT. 6, 1928.

CHURCHES	Is it a Village Town, or Country Church?	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POSTOFFICES	S. S ENROLLMENT									Special Information				
			Officers, Teachers	Beginners 3-5 yrs.	Primaries 6-8 yrs.	Juniors 9-12 yrs.	Intermediates 13-16	Young People 17-24	Adults 25 and up	Cradle Roll under 3	Total Enrollment	What is your Av. At	Is the School Graded?	For Support Gifts of Sunday School	Gifts to Missions, Orphanage, etc.	Total Gifts From Sunday School
Bates Creek	Co.	T. J. Roberts, Murphy....	4	..	6	8	..	10	6	..	34	34	no	$10.00	..	10.00
Beaverdam	V.	G. S. Burgess, Unaka	4	..	8	12	5	12	20	..	57	40	no	12.00	....	12.00
Culberson	V.	.....	.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....		.....	.....	....
Ebenezer	Co.	W. J. Umphres, Murphy..	6	5	5	12	12	..	5	..	45	40	no	5.00	....	5 00
Fairview	V.	B. L. Fox, Murphy, Route 2	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	40	..	..	.....	.. ..	.. ..
Friendship	V.	D. T. McNabb, Suit	8	..	..	..	..	53	..	..	63	..	..	.....	....	....
Grape Creek	Co.	F W. Davis, Murphy, Rt. 3	5	..	15	14	6	8	6	..	54	30	no	12.21	....	12 21
Hopewell	Co.	Mrs. Ella Jenkins, Culberson	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	40	35	no	.....	7.15	....
Liberty	Co.	Marshal West, Patrick ...	6	15	12	12	10	10	15	..	74	50	no	14.00	....	14.00
Macedonia	Co.	J L Morrow, Culberson rt 2	5	12	..	..	13	..	15	6	46	50	no	10.00	7.00	17.00
Mt. Moriah	Co.	M. L. Ballew, Culberson.	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	50	35	no	6.00	....	6.00
Mt. Nebo	Co.	H. V. Radford, Grandview	.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	60	50	no	10.00	.....	10.00
Mt. Olive	Co.	H. G. Jones, Postell	6	7	8	18	..	10	15	5	63	40	..	5.75	.....	5.75
Mt. Pleasant	Co.	.....	.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	30	30	..	6.00	.....	6.00
New Hope	Co.	N. L. Prince, Isabella Tenn	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	24	..	..	4 51	....	4.51
Oak Grove	Co.	L. P. Payne, Letitia	7	10	8	..	..	..	15	8	48	26	..	7.70	.....	7.70
Persimmon Creek	Co.	B. H. Campbell, Per. Crk.	5	5	..	6	..	10	8	4	38	30	..	7.00	.....	7.00
Pleasant Grove	Co.	A. W. Green, Ranger	5	6	..	8	..	12	9	4	44	35	..	6.00	.....	6.00
Pleasant Hill, Ga.	Co.	N. B. Davis, Mineral Bf. Ga	5	6	..	10	..	..	12	..	33	25	..	6.00	.....	5.00
Pleasant Hill, N. C.	Co.	W. A. Beaver, Hiawassee,	5	..	..	..	10	..	10	..	25	25	...	5.00	.....	5.00
Shoal Creek	Co.	H. G. Jones, Postell	7	6	2	8	..	22	20	..	65	25	..	10.50	.....	10.50
Union	Co.	J. H. Payne, Per. Crk. ...	.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	35	..	11.00	.....	11.00
Violet	Co.	Willard Graham, Violet ..	4	6	5	7	6	6	.5	.6	45	35	..	2.00	.3.61	.5.61

13
206.9756
M66wel

MINUTES

Of The

SEVENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

Of The

West Liberty Baptist Association

Held With The

Pleasant Grove Church

October 4th, 5th, 1929

Seven miles west of Murphy, N. C.

The next session will be held with the Friendship Church, 15 miles west of Murphy, N. C., September 26, 27, 28, 1930.

Bryson City Times Print Shop

MINUTES

Of the Seventy-Eighth Annual Session of the

WEST LIBERTY ASSOCIATION

Held with the Pleasant Grove Church Oct. 4th, 5th, 1929

Seven miles west of Murphy, N. C.

The next session will be held with the Friendship Church, 15 miles west of Murphy, N. C., September 26, 27, 28, 1930.

Introductory sermon by Rev. F. C. West, Alternate Rev. J. P. Decker.

OCTOBER 4, 1929

The West Liberty Association met according to appointment with the Pleasant Grove church. House was called to order by Rev. Fred Stiles. Brother W. C. West led the opening invocation. Introductory sermon by Rev. J. T. Payne. Text: Heb. 12:1-2.

In the absence of the moderator Rev. F. C. West was appointed moderator, pro tem then proceeded to permanent organization by electing Rev. F. C. West moderator; J. T. L. Hartness vice moderator; Rev. Fred Stiles clerk, and J. T. Payne treasurer.

Invitation was given to visitors and received Dr. Charles E. Maddry, Secretary of the State Mission Board; Miss Della Huggins, representing the Woman's Missionary Union; Rev. J. L. Steele of the Western North Carolina Association and Rev. W. T. Truett from the Buncombe County Association.

On motion order of buiness was suspended and Dr. Maddry delivered an inspiring address on the cooperative campaign. Dr. Maddry made a stirring appeal for the support of the seven beneficiaries of the cooperative campaign which he represented as the Laptist family of our Southland.

Adjourned until one o'clock for refreshments.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Prayer by Rev. E. A. Beavers, then took up the regular order of business.

The following committees were appointed:

On Preaching, Fred Stiles, H. A. Williamson and J. M. Bryant.

On Hospitals, Rev. E. A. Beavers, and S. C. Mingus.

On Pastorial Support, D. T. McNabb and W. J. Umphres.

On State of Churches, J. W. Keener and M. I. Hall.

On motion J. T. L. Hartness and Joseph Coleman were appointed reading clerks, then proceeded to read the letters of the various churches. On motion received the letters and seated the delegates.

Committes on Missions, Rev. J. T. Payne; on Periodicals, Joseph Coleman; Temperance, Rev. W. T. Truett; Ministerial Relief, D. T. McNabb; on Sunday Schools, B. Y. P. U. and Woman's Work, Miss

Della Huggins and Mrs. Callie Stiles; on Christian Education, Rev. W. T. Truett.

Then took up the question with regard to a change in the time of meeting of the association because of the fact that the Cherokee County Fair and the association have been held on the same dates for the past two years.

On motion the executive committee was empowered to confer with the county fair officials and fix the time of meeting of the association at an earlier date so as to be sure that the fair and association will not conflice with each other in their future meetings.

On motion retained the three members of the executive committee of last year and enlarged the committee by appointing two additional members, the present committee being as follows: Rev. E. A. Beavers, J. P. Decker and D. T. McNabb of Suit, N. C.; Rev. F. C. West of Culberson, N. C. and Rev. Fred Stiles of Murphy, N. C., Route No. 2.

On motion seated as delegates Joseph Coleman from the Grape Creek Church, and Rev. J. T. Payne from Pleasant Hill Church.

On motion appointed a committee on nominations, viz: T. M. Rice, E. A. Beavers and J. W. Keenum; on Finance, D. T. McNabb and Carl Stiles; on Deceased Members, J. T. Payne and E. A. Beavers.

In the absence of any committee reports for discussion Miss Della Huggins was called upon to discuss home missions. Because of her observations in many of the Southern States Miss Huggins was able to give us facts about the conditions that exist in our homeland.

Committee on Preaching reported as follows: Preaching tonight by Rev. W. T. Truett.

Adjourned until tomorrow morning. Benediction by Brother J. T. Payne.

MORNING SESSION, OCT. 5, 1929

House clled to order by moderator. Prayer by Rev. J. T. Payne.

Regular order of business was taken up. Journal of preceding day read and approved.

Called for letters of churches not reporting yesterday and received the Fairview church with their letter. Called for reports of the various committees.

Report of committee on nominations read and adopted.

Report on orphanage read and discussed by Miss Della Huggins. On motion adopted the report. Report on Christian Education read and adopted. Discussed by Rev. W. T. Truett.

Report on Sunday School, B. Y. P. U. and Woman's Work read and adopted. Dicussed by Miss Della Huggins.

Report on Hospitals read and adopted. Discussed by Rev. F. C. West.

Called for letter of churches not represented and received the Persimmon Creek church. On motion received the letter and seated the delegates.

Resolution with regard to tithing read and adopted. Discussed by Rev. Fred Stiles W. T. Truett and F. C. West.

An offering was taken for the orphanage at Thomasville. Amount $3.83.

Adjourned for refreshments. Benediction by Rev. W. T. Truett.

AFTERNOON SESSION

House called to order by moderator. Prayer by J. W. Keenum.

A resolution for a Ministerial Conference was presented and read. On motion adopted the report.. Discussed by Rev. J. T. Payne, S .C. Mingue, W. T. Truett and others.

On motion appointed the moderator and clerk of the association as chairman and secretary of the conference until permanent organization may be effected. It was further agreed that the conference meetings shall be held each fifth Sunday and the Saturday during the ensuing year. The first meeting to be held with the Shady Grove Church the fifth Sunday in December, 1929, the chairman and secretary to prepare the program and to give notice to all the pastors of the West Liberty Association.

The following churches in order requested conference meetings with them during the ensuing year: Union, Unaka, Ebenezer.

Report on State of churches read and adopted.

Report on Pastorial Support read and adopted. Discussed by J. B. Moss, W. J. Umphres and others.

Report on Periodicals read and adopted discussed by Miss Della Huggins.

Report of Finance Committee read and adopted.

Report of Treasurer read and adopted.

Report on Deceased Members read and adopted.

On motion that the clerk be allowed $10.00 for his services in making out and supervising the printing of the minutes.

On motion enlarged the executive committee by appointing the moderator and clerk of the association as additional members.

Report on Hospitality read and adopted.

On motion empowered the executive committee to appoint the standing committees of the next session of this body.

On motion adjourned until time and place of next meeting. Benediction by Rev. F. C. West.

Roll of Delegates

Bates Creek: by letter.

Beaverdam: J. B. Moss.

Ebenezer: W. J. Umphres.
Fairview: D. B. Baity.
Friendship: D. T. McNabb, J. W. Keenum.
Grape Creek: By delegation only Joseph Coleman.
Hiawassee: S. C. Mingus, Glenn Thimpson.
Hopewell: J. M. Bryant.
Liberty: Lenis Ledford.
Macedonia: A. E. Clore, P. W. Helton.
Mt. Moriah: Not represented.
Mt. Nebo: By letter.
Mt. Olive: T. W. Crowder.
Mt. Pleasant: J. A. Burger, B. T. Helton.
New Hope: Wade Collins, Mrs. Zura Collins.
Oak Grove: L. P. Payne, G. W. Stiles.
Persimmon Creek: B. H. Campbell, C. D. Rogers.
Pleasant Grove: M. I. Hall, Fred Stiles, W. M. Stiles.
Pleasant Hill, Ga.: Not represented.
Pleasant Hill, N. C.: J. T. Payne.
Shady Grove: T. M. Rice, J. T. L. Hartness.
Shoal Creek: By letter.
Union: A. J. Williamson, J. H. Payne, E. A. Beaver.
Violet: By letter.

Report on State of Churches

We your committee on State of Churches find that there has been a small increase in additions to the churches by baptisms. On the other hand we find that the churches have gone backward in the support of their pastors and missions. Brethren, these things ought nt to be. May the Lord help us to wake to the discharge of our duty.

J. T. PAYNE

ORPHANAGE REPORT

We Baptist of North Carolina have adopted over nine hundred children to feed, clothe, educate and train for the Master. They are ours. Therefore, we urge each church in this association to take an offering in the Sunday Schools once a month also a thanksgiving offering on Thanksgiving and send it to Thomasville to help supprt our children.

We also urge the Sunday Schools to subscribe for charity and children. Clubs of ten can be secured for six dollars per year.

DELLA HUGGINS.

We your committee on Hospitals submit the following: The State Baptist Hospital is located at Winton-Salem. We recommend this institution to the West Liberty Association..

Because Jesus healed the sick while on earth it is our duty to support this institution while they are doing what they can for

the sick and wounded.

E A. BEAVERS,
S. C. MINGUS.

REPORT ON PASTORIAL SUPPORT

We find that pators in the country are receiving very small amount for their labors while their work is of the highest class. We urge that our Baptist churches help their pastors more in the future that they may give more of their time to the ministry. This will enable them to edify the churches an win more souls for the Master.

JOSEPH COLEMAN

REPORT ON PERIODICALS

We agree to educate our children religiously. We urge that all parents who are members of the Baptist church look well to the training of their children. The good Book says "Train up a child in the way it should go." To protect our children from getting un wholesome food in their minds we must furnish them with Baptist Literature. We recommend the very best the Bibical Recorder Charity and children and other religious literature.

JOSEPH COLEMAN.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The day has come when we as a Baptist people are being considered the greatest of any denominations. We have advanced in numbers and wealth and many other ways. Our educational institutions are making good. We have our christian schools for the benefit of all, especially for those who are poor. Quite a number of young men and women are being educated and trained for religious work and service in these schools. It behooves us all as Baptists to help support our institutions especially for the sake of our young people who are not financially able to get the religious training otherwise.

W. T. TRUETT.

REPORT ON MISSIONS

Never before in the history of Missionary Baptists has there been a time when we should rally to the cause and support of missions. In our homeland and foreign fields countless thousands are beckoning us to come with the gospel of Jesus Christ, yearning to know of a Saviour's love.

What shall our answere be? Today is the day of salvation. Many will be lost before another year has come and gone in our lives.

We wonder what shall be the result of our neglect of the great commission, to take the gospel to all the world. May the day sooon

come when all the churches of the West Liberty Association will increase their gifts to missions instead of going backward as we have the past three years.

FRED STILES.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Christ taught by example as well as precept, Luke 4:14. As his custom was he went into the synagogues on the Sabbath.

Timothy was taught the scriptures from a child which was to make him wise unto salvation. Psalms,119:105."Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path."

One of our great needs is a better organized Sunday School and better trained teachers. The State Board and Sunday School Boa d has employed a well trained man.

Mr. A. V. Washburn, Sylva, N. C., to work in the North Western part of the state, therefore, we recommend to the churches of this association that you secure his service and put on a training school in each church of the association.

B. Y. P. U. REPORT

Many valuable lives have been lost to the kingdom work because they were given no place for training or service. The Baptist Young Peoples Union is the training camp for service. The aim—all Baptist Young People Utilized—motto. II Tim. 2:15.

We recommend to the churches that you organize your young people and train them for service, which is the hope of saving their lives for Christ's service.

W. M. U. REPORT

Christ lifted womanhood from slavery to freedom, Luke 7:47. Many who sat at the Master's feet and learned of Him. She broke the alabaster box of ointment upon her Master. In this act she memorialized her life. The women were helpers throughout Chirst's earthly ministry. Luke 8:1-3 gives the account of a group of women paying the expenses of a missionary journey. Some of thi ssame group of women were last at the cross, first to the grave. They carried the first resurrection message. The Woman's Missionary Union is just a continuation of the work done in the days of Christ's earthly ministry. They are auxiliaries or helpers to all the work fostered by our denomination. Where the women are organized the church is supporting missions because through the study of missions they are informed about the work. Let me urge the churches to organize your women in W. M. S., also organize the children into Sunbeam bands. Fr information about the work write Mrs. Edna R. Harris, Recorder Building, Raleigh, N. C. The Missionary Magazine Royal Service for the Women World Comrades, price $1.00 for the children can be secured from the W. M. U. Headquarters, 1117 Comer Building, Birm-

ingham, Ala.

MISS DELLA HUGGINS,
MRS. CALLIE STILES.

REPORT ON DECEASED MEMBERS

Culberson has lost one, Brother J. F. Forrester, a deacon; Ebenezer has lost three, Sister Elver Henderson, Sister Tabitha Sylvester, Sister Bonnie Johnson. Hopewell has lost two, Bro. Lawrence Thomas and Brother W. E. Cross. Macedonia has lost two, Sister Dollie Stuart and Sister Hattie Loudermilk. Mt. Pleasant has lost two, Sister Mary Morgan and Brother G. W. Shields. Pleasant Grove, two, Sister Carra Beavers and Brother C. L. Hogsed. Shady Grove, two, Sister Mary Ann Arp and Sister Susie Garland. Pleasant Hill, two, Brothers Horace Burger and Sister Laura Shearer. Hiawassee, one, Bro. James Thimpson. Union, three, Bro. J. H. Thompson, a deacon; Sister Lillie Cochran and Brother Clinton Stiles. Beaverdam has lost five, no names given.

Friendship has lost two, Sister Ora McDonald and Bro. Harrison Collins.

J. T. PAYNE.

OBITUARIES

The Pleasant Hill church has lost Brother Horace Burger, deceased, Nov. 23, 1928. Aged 38 years. He professed a hope in Christ early in life and joined the church and lived a devoted christian life and was always asking others to live for Christ. No doubt in our minds but that Brother Horace was a good christian and is now reaping his reward in heaven with loved ones who have gone on before. Farewell, brother, for a little while we hall see you again where sad parting is no more, where we shall rejoice for evermore.

He leaves a father, mother, three brothers, two sisters and a host of friends to mourn his death. Our loss is heaven's gain. Farewell, dear brother, till we meet again. I thank God he was a christian, lived his life as best he knew, and I know some day I shall meet him if to Jesus I'll be true.

Union church has lost Brother Clinton Stiles, a member of the church about eighteen months. He was a good moral as well as a christian boy. He leaves a father, mother, three brothers, one sister and many friends to mourn his loss but our loss is heaven's gain. Just why he was taken God knows. He was a precious young boy loved by every one that knew him.

He was born Dec. 13, 1912 and died Dec. 27, 1928. We can say farewell, Brother Clinton, for a little while. Should we want to go where he is we believe we must go to heaven.

In memory of our beloved Sister Laura Shearer, who has fought the fight, kept the faith and finished her course.

She was born Jan. 24, 1883, and died April 27, 1929. She early responded to the call of her Savior, professing an earnest hope in Christ at the age of 13 years.

She was a light to her companions and girlhood friends and when she built for herself a home on this earth it was on a foundation which no man can lay, with Christ as the corner stone.

While no children were given to cheer the fireside she mothered her whole community ever responding to the call of the sick, naked, and those in prison. Bound to her Lord by the cords of eternal faith, hope and charity she let duty be her beacon light. Although afflicted with serious and at last fatal bodily pain it was only a good to do the bidding of her Saviour. Strived to enter in. In the last hours she was all smiles and rejoicing that the hour had come when she should hear the welcome plaudit, "Thou hast been faithful over a few things I will make you ruler over many things enter ye into the joys of the Lord."

She leaves to mourn her vacant place a father, mother, four brothers, four sisters to whom she prayed that they would prove faithful until they meet to part no more.

A husband, K. W. Shearer, deacon of our church, who has done his duty as an humble servant by having her as a help-mate.

PLEASANT HILL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH.

RESOLUTION FOR A MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE

We the pastors and ministers of the West Liberty Association do hereby resolve:

1st. That this conference be composed of the active ministers in good standing of this association.

2nd. That they shall elect one of their number president one as secretary, one as treasurer; these officers to be elected annually.

3rd. That their meetings shall be held to begin on Saturday before each fifth Sunday during the year and continue through Sunday.

4th. That it shall be the duty of this body to look after the general interest of our churches and discuss the rules and doctrine of our church and to see that they are carried out.

5th. That they shall elect a presbytery whose duty it shall be to examine each appl cant for the ministry, previous to their being licensed or ordained and said presbytery shall be empowered to call for and examine all preachers credentials before allowing to occupy the pulpits of this association.

6th. Said conference shall have the right and be empowered to challenge and call to trial any minister who shall be guilty of disorderly conduct and if found guilty shall silence him from preaching until the offending brother has made satisfactory acknowledgements.

7th. That a committee of arrangements shall be elected to select the place of meetings and the subjects to be discussed.

COMMITTEE.

RESOLUTION WITH RESPECT TO TITHING

We the pastors and ministers of the West Liberty Association, in response to the teachings of God's holy Word willing to follow its teachings by precept and example in building up the cause and kingdom of Jesus Christ, do hereby resolve and pledge ourselves to practice tithing during the ensuing year. We further resolve to preach and stress this great doctrine to our churches and endeavor to enlist all our members to become tithers to the end that the cause of Jesus Christ shall not suffer and the gospel preached to all the world.

COMMITTEE.

REPORT OF TREASURER

We have received from the various churches for missions and orphanage $21.88.

Respectfully,

J. T. PAYNE.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

We your committee on Finance submit the following: For Minutes and clerk hire we have received a total of $39.24.

D. T. McNABB,
CARL STILES.

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS

We your committee on nominations recommend that the next session of this body be held with the Friendship Church, 15 miles west of Murphy beginning on Friday before the 4th Sunday in September, embracing Sept. 26, 27, 28, 1930. Introductory sermon by Rev. F. C. West, Rev. J. P. Decker, alternate.

J. W. KEENUM,
T. M. RICE,
E. A. BEAVERS.

REPORT ON HOSPITALITY

Resolved, That this body tender their heartfelt thanks to the good people of Pleasant Grove Church for the kindness and hospitality extended to this body while in session.

J. W. KEENUM.

TABLE NO. 1 MEMBERSHIP AND CHURCH PROPERTY OF WEST LIBERTY ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	PATORS AND POSTOFFICE	CLERK AND POSTOFFICE	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP GAINS: Baptisms	Letters	Statements	LOSSES: Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Deaths	Total present membership	Regular days meeting	In Village (V) In Country (Co)	Persons Seated	Value Church House and grounds	Total value all Church Property
Bates Creek	W. P. Elliott, Murphy	Eli Abernathy, Murphy, R-3		1				1		51	2nd	Co.		50.00	50.00
Beaverdam	F. C. West, Culberson	G. G. Burgess, Unaka		3		2	6	1	5	140	2nd	V.	300	500.00	500.00
Culberson	R. R. Bell, Sweet Gum, Ga.	T. H. Crofts, Culberson					1		1	58	1st	V.	300	1000.00	1000.00
Ebenezer	J. L. Mulkey, Grandview	W. J. Umphres, Murphy, R-3		5		1	2		3	103	2nd	Co.	300	1000.00	1000.00
Fairview	N. O. Kilpatrick, Murphy, R-2	B. L. Fox, Murphy, R-2		4						70	4th	V.	300		
Friendship	F. C. West, Culberson	Guy McNabb, Suit	30	2		1	4		2	182	4th	V.	300	2000.00	2000.00
Hiawassee	A. M. Ashe, Murphy, R-3	J. A. Thimpson, Murphy, R-3	5	2			2	1	1	48	3rd	Co.	200	500.00	500.00
Hopewell	R. R. Bell, Sweet Gum, Ga.	Ella Jenkins, Culberson	6				10		2	100	1st	Co.	300	1000.00	1000.00
Liberty	L. N. Marr, Tuntletown, Tenn.	J. L. Kinsey, Tuntletown, T	15	3					1	150	1st	Co.		500.00	500.00
Macedonia	L. N. Marr, Tuntletown, Tenn.	E. F. Bandy, Culberson, R-2	2	1				1	2	87	4th	Co.	300	1000.00	1000.00
Mt. Nebo	E. A. Beavers, Suit	Lillie Dockeny	12	2					1	93	2nd	Co.			
Mt. Olive	E. A. Beavers, Suit	Gay Jones, Postell	1	3			2			50	1st	Co.	100	500.00	500.00
Mt. Pleasant	R. R. Bell, Sweet Gum, Ga.	J. S. Shields, Culberson	18				2		2	190	2nd	Co.			
New Hope	E. D. Cole, Copperhill, Tenn.	T. M. Baker, Wehutty	4	4			4			69	4th	Co.	75	600.00	600.00
Oak Grove	J. P. Decker, Suit	L. P. Payne, Letitia	2	2						34	3rd	Co.			
Persimmon Creek	E. A. Beavers, Suit	C. D. Rogers, Persimmon Ck				1	3	3		56	1st	Co.	150	800.00	800.00
Pleasant Grove	Fred Stiles, Murphy, R-2	G. I. Hogsed, Birch			1		2	1	2	85	4th	Co.	200	500.00	500.00
Pleasant Hill, N.C.	L. N. Marr, Tuntletown, Tenn.	W. A. Beaver, Patrick	3		3	2	9		2	73	2nd	Co.	200	100.00	100.00
Shady Grove	F. C. West, Culberson	T. M. Rice, Culberson	19	5		3	3		2	149	3rd	Co.	300	1500.00	1500.00
Shoal Creek	Carl Loudermilk, Isabella, T	J. H. Suit, Postell	6		1		9		2	163	4th	Co.	300	1200.00	1200.00
Union	J. P. Decker, Suit	Ben Reece, Vest							2	80	2nd	Co.	200	1000.00	1000.00
Violet	J. T. Payne, Hiawassee	Lottie Murphy, Violet	8				1	1		67	1st	Co.	200	500.00	500.00

TABLE NO. 2 FINANCE OF WEST LIBERTY ASSOCIATION FOR YEAR ENDING OCT. 5, 1929.

CHURCHES	FOR SUPPORT OF LOCAL CHURCH WORK REGULAR TREASURER AND POSOFFICE	Pastor's Salary	Ministerial Help	Bldgs. and Repairs	Incidentals	Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U. Expense	Local Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects	Missions	Orphanage	Ministerial Relief	Grand Total
Bates Creek		60.00	3.00		2.00	10.85	5.00	1.00					81.85
Beaverdam	M. F. Farmer, Unaka	28.00	27.00	10.00				.90					65.00
Culberson	T. H. Crofts, Culberson	60.00	10.00	124.00				2.00		1.00			197.00
Ebenezer	W. J. Umphres, Murphy, R-3	28.25	7.66				1.35	1.00	21.60	4.80			64.66
Fairview	B. L. Fox, Murphy, R-2	33.92						1.85		4.50			40.37
Friendship	Guy McNabb, Suit	78.16	82.00	3.00	5.00	12.00	28.57	2.50		14.68			224.71
Hiawassee		10.00				5.00		.55					15.55
Hopewell	J. M. Bryant, Culberson	72.27	26.77			8.00		1.50	18.00				126.54
Liberty	J. L. Kimsey, Tuntletown, Tenn.	64.17	10.00		3.70	10.00	20.00	2.84					110.71
Macedonia		29.25	9.46			10.00		2.75		6.00			57.46
Mt. Nebo	Lillie Dockery, Grandview	86.28	17.62			5.60		2.25			3.10		114.85
Mt. Olive	G. C. Jones, Postell	39.19				15.00		2.55					56.74
Mt. Pleasant	J. S. Shields, Culberson	67.08	17.00			8.00		1.60					93.58
New Hope		20.00				5.00		2.05					27.05
Oak Grove	L. P. Payne, Letitia	64.23	10.59			7.82		2.15	1.45				86.24
Persimmon Creek	J. A. Williamson, Persimmon Creek	20.00				13.50							33.50
Pleasant Grove	G. I. Hogsed, Birch	53.88	18.00	5.00		10.00	7.90	2.50	21.00	4.00	2.00		124.33
Pleasant Hill, N.C.	W. A. Beaver, Patrick	27.00						.75					27.75
Shady Grove	T. M. Rice, Culberson	358.34	5.00	300.00	4.40	15.37	2.00	2.00		4.02			691.13
Shoal Creek	G. W. Jones, Postell	100.0				13.79		1.40	.75				115.94
Union	J. H. Payne, Persimmon Creek	66.40	7.79		2.20	10.97	18.92	1.50					107.78
Violet	Jack Davis, Violet	16.23	4.10	30.00		5.10	10.00	1.40					67.22
Grape Creek	No Letter												
Mt. Moriah	Not Represented												
Pleasant Hill, Ga.	Not Represented												

TABLE III SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF WEST LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, OCTOBER, 1929.

CHURCHES	Village, Town, City or Country Church?	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT SPECIAL INFORMATION														
			Officers and Teachers	Beginners, 3-5 yrs	Prim. 6-8 yrs.	Juniors 9-12 yrs.	Inter. 13-16 yrs.	Young P. 17-24 yrs.	Adults 25 yrs & up	Cr. Roll under 3 yrs	Home Dept.	What is your average attend.?	Is the School graded?	Gifts to Support	S. S. Work	Gifts to Missions, Orphanage, etc.
Bates Creek	CO.	T. J. Roberts	6		9	9	9		9			36			10.00	
Beaverdam	V	M. F. Farmer	5			20		20	20			65	40		30 00	
Culberson	V.	O. G. Anderson	4	10	15	10	10	12	15	8		81				
Ebenezer	Co.	W. J. Umphres, Murphy, R-3	7	5	13	12	12	9	6			97	60	yes	21.60	4.80
Fairview	V.	B. L. Fox, Murphy, R-2	11	8	8	4	6	9	10	3		48		yes	42.13	
Friendship	V.	J. W. Keenum, Suit	6										65		12.00	
Hiawassee	Co.	P. C. Hogsed, Murphy, R-3	6	12		20			18			50	45		5.00	
Hopewell	Co.	Ella Jenkins, Culberson	7												8.00	
Liberty	Co.	Willie Ledford, Tuntletown, Tenn	8	8	10	18		10	16						10.00	
Macedonia	Co.	J. L. Morrow, Culberson	6	15		10			25	5		50	50		16.00	
Mt. Nebo	Co.	J. U. Farmer, Grandview	5		25	25			25			75	60		5.60	
Mt. Olive	Co.	Gay Jones, Postell	6	10		12	5	8	20			55			15.00	
Mt. Pleasant	Co.	Kate Shields, Culberson	7									40	40		8.00	
New Hope	Co.	Wade Collins, Isabella, Tenn.	3										15		5.00	
Oak Grove	Co.	L. P. Payne, Letitia	6	9	13				27	11		60	27		9.27	
Persimmon Creek	Co.	Lydia Williamson, Persimmon Ck	4	18		6		6	10			40			13.50	
Pleasant Grove	Co.	A. W. Green, Ranger	12	7	14	18	15	7	22	3	5	91	38	Yes	31.00	
Pleasant Hill, N.C.	Co.	Pauline Adams, Hiawassee	5									25	25			
Shady Grove	Co.	Claud West, Culberson	5	10	6	12	12	13	15	3		75	40		9.25	
Shoal Creek	Co.	Ernest Allen, Postell	6										30		16.79	
Union	Co.	J. H. Payne, Persimmon Creek	5	5	3	4		12	12			41			10.97	
Violet	Co.	Lester Taylor, Violet	4									50	35		5.10	

206.9756
M66we

MINUTES

Of The

SEVENTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

Of The

West Liberty Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Friendship Baptist Church

SEPTEMBER 26, 27 And 28, 1930
15 miles west of Murphy, N. C.

The next Session will be held with the Beaverdam Baptist Church, 14 miles northwest of Murphy, N. C., beginning on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1931.

MINUTES

of the Seventy-ninth Annual Session of the West Liberty Association held with the Friendship Baptist Church Sept. 26, 27 28, 1930, 15 miles west of Murphy, N. C.

The next Session will be held with the Beaverdam Baptist Church, 14 miles northwest of Murphy, N. C., beginning on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1931.

Introductory sermon by Rev. Fred Stiles; alternate, Rev. J. D. Moses.

September 26, 1930.

The West Liberty Baptist Association met according to appointment with the Friendship Baptist Church. The body was called to order by F. C. West. Prayer, by Rev. C. F. Conley. Then proceeded to permanent organization by electing J. P. Decker, moderator; Fred Stiles, vice-moderator; E. M. Hembree, clerk; J. W. Keenum, treasurer. Then gave an invitation for visitors and received the following brothers: Rev. W. T. Truett, Rev. H. H. Hyde, C. F. Conley, B. V. Mull.

On motion regular order of business was suspended for preaching. Introductory sermon was preached by Rev. F. C. West. Text: Timothy 2:15. This sermon was well delivered and to the delight of a great throng of people.

Then adjourned to 12:30 for refreshments.

Afternoon Session

Reading, by Rev. J. T. Dockery; prayer, by Rev. J. D. Moses.

The following committees were appointed: On preaching, E. A. Beaver, Decature Hickey; on Pastorial Support, L. P. Payne, E. L. Simonds; State of Churches, B. V. Mull, C. F. Conley. Then the moderator appointed E. L. Simonds and Fred Stiles, reading clerks. Then read the letters from the various churches, and seated the messengers. Then gave invitation for membership, and received Friendship Church, of Sweetgum Ga.

Then appointed the following committees:

On Missions, J. T. Payne, J. D. Moss.

On Temperance, E. A. Beaver, W. J. Umphres.

On Periodicals, Joseph Coleman, J. T. Dockery.

On Ministerial Relief, Lee Shields, J. F. Wood.

On Finance, D. T. McNabb, J. W. Keenum.

On Orphanage, T. S. Self, J. W. McRae.

On Deaceased Members, J. T. Payne, D. B. Baty.

On motion to retain the Executive Committee, D. T. McNabb, E. A. Beaver, J. P. Decker.

On Christian Education, Rev. J. D. Moses, J. B. Moss.

On Missions, F. C. West, Fred Stiles.

On Obituaries, F. C. West, Fred Stiles, J. T. Payne.

On nominations, Carol Stiles, J. B. Moss, Clinton Keenum.

Resolution approved for the election of an association missionary discussed by Rev. J. D. Mosse, Rev. B. V. Mull.

On motion to appoint a committee on Investigation Lee Shields, R. L. Keenum, James Allen, J. B. Moss, J. U. Farmer.

On motion appointed a committee on Obituary of Rev. W. D Hogsed, Fred Stiles, F. C. West, J. T. Payne.

Committee on Preaching made its report that Rev. J. D. Moses preach at 7 o'clock P. M. Then on motion to change the association back to its former time of meeting in October.

On motion to adjourn to 9 o'clock A. M., Sept. 27.

Night session sermon, by J. D. Moses. Text. Gal. 6:7-8.

Morning Session, September 27

House called to order by moderator. Prayer, by N. O. Kilpatrick.

Regular order of business was taken up.

Journal of Preceding Day read and approved.

Called for Letters of Churches. Received Persimmon Creek and Shady Grove.

Motion to receive the letters and seat delegates.

Motion and seconded to abolish the Ministers Conference passed in last session of the association, and adopt resolution creating a members conference for fifth Sunday meeting.

Report on Associational Missionary, read and adopted; discussed by Rev. J. D. Moses and others.

Report on Missions, read and adopted; discussed by Rev. J. T Payne.

OnTemperance, read and adopted; discussed by Rev. E. A. Beaver.

On Ministerial Relief, read and adopted; discussed by Rev. N. O. Kilpatrick.

Adjourned for dinner.

Afternoon Session, Second Day.

Body called to orde by moderator; prayer by Rev. B. V. Mull.

Then invitation given for visitors, and received Brother A. K. Dickey. Then called for letters of churches and received Hopewell, Mt. Vernon and Fairview. On motion the letters were received and messengers seated.

Report on Orphanage, read and adopted; discussed by James McRae and others. Collection of orphanage, $12.38.

On request of Mt. Vernon and Ebenneezar Churches letters of recommenration were granted to become members of other asso-

ciations.

Report on Hospitals, read and adopted;discussed by W. T Truett and others.

Report on Periodicals, read and adopted; discussed by J. T Dockery.

On State of Churches, read and adopted; discussed by Rev. C F. Conley.

On Finance, read and adopted; discussed by D. T. McNabb Collection for Minutes, $38.51. On motion to allow clerk $10.00 for his work.

On Deceased Members, read and adopted.

On Nominations, read and adopted.

Then adjourned for preaching tonight by W. T. Truett.

Adjourned to Sunday morning to 9 o'clock A. M.

Sunday Morning Session, Third Day

Body called to order by moderator; prayer by Rev. C. F. Conley.

Read and approved Journal of yesterday committe on Hospitality J. D. Moses and J. T. Payne. Report read and adopted.

On Pastorial Support, read and adopted; discussed by Rev. W. T. Truett.

On Christian Education, read and adopted; discussed by Rev J. D. Moses.

On Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U. and W. M. U. discussed by Rev. W. T. Truett.

ROLL OF DELEGATES

Beaverdam—J. B. Moss, M. F. Farmer.
Ebenezar—W. J. Umphres, J. W. McRae.
Bates Creek—E. M. Hembree, B. V. Mull.
Culberson—J. S. Shields, B. T. Hilton.
Friendship—D. T. McNabb, J. W. Keenum, T. D. Hickey.
Grape Creek—Joe Coleman.
Pleasant Grove—Fred Stiles, Carol Stiles, A. Payne.
Mt. Nebo—J. T. Dockery, J. U. Farmer, J. D. Moses.
Hopewell, J. M. Bryant.
Culberson—Ray Foyster, Guy Hyatt.
Shady Grove—L. M. Shields, J. L. Arp.
Mt. Olive—By letter.
Oak Grove—L. P. Payne, G. W. Stiles.
Shoal Creek—J. H. Suit.
Union—J T. Payne, Ben Reese.
Friendship No. 2—R. A. Helton.
Liberty—Lewis Ledford.
Violet—By letter.
Mt. Vernon—J. Powell.
Fairview—B. L. Fox, D. B. Baty.
Pers'mmon Creek—C. D. Rogers, E. L. Simonds.

REPORT ON STATE OF CHURCHES

We, your committee on State of Churches, submit the following report: From what we know about the State of the Churches in this body we find them in a bad state of condition to their functioning in various ways to what we really think they ought to do; to make them what they ought to be.

We also wish to submit that our churches are at a very low ebb in their spiritual conditions and we think there ought to be something done along the spiritual line that would make or cause our people to rally to the front. We believe it is what it will take to bring our people to where they will come with their financial aid to support the cause.

REV. B. V. MULL

ORPHANAGE REPORT

We, Baptists of North Carolina, have adopted over nine hundred children to feed, clothe, educate, and train for the Master. They are ours, therefore, we urge each church in this association to take an offering in the Sunday Schools once a month; also a thanksgiving offering on Thanksgiving Day, and send it to Thomasville to help support our children.

J. W. McRAE.

REPORT ON PASTORIAL SUPPORT

We find that the pastors are receiving very little for their labor, and we feel that the churches and the cause of Christ is suffering from this reason; and we pray that our Baptists awake to a sense of their duties, and contribute more to our pastors that they may be able to give more of their time to winning more souls to Christ.

L. P. PAYNE

REPORT ON PERIODICALS

We submit the following:

We recommend all the Baptist Literature and especially the Biblical Recorder, and all other wholesome Periodicals put out by our Baptist people.

Respectfully,

JOE COLEMAN

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Never before has there been a time when we needed our people educated religiously more than now. Christian education will clarify the minds and give us a broader conception of man's relations to God.

We recommend that our association help to support our churches in relation to this matter.

J. D. MOSES

REPORT ON MISSIONS

We submit the following report:

Missions are a Bible doctrine taught by all Baptist churches and schools, and taught by all loyal Baptist preachers. It is one of the foundation stones of our missionary faith. It is based on the Bible alone, and we accept its teachings as a true guide to follow; and we urge all our people known to follow the Baptist Faith. To follow the same is in keeping with the Baptist churches

We are also due our Lord our substance to spread the gospel to help others as He helps us.

J. T. PAYNE
J. D. MOSES

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOL

We submit the following report:

Regarding the work of the Sunday Schools as one of the most important factors in our church and recognizing the importance of training our young people for God, and his cause and whereas the Sunday School Board has taken an active part in the work and has materially assisted in the affiliation of the Sunday school work, we recommend that the foregoing be carried out.

F. C. WEST

B. Y. P. U. AND W. M. U. REPORT

We, your committee, make the following report:

Recognizing this work and the need of them in our churches, and we urge that they be taken up by all our churches.

Respectfully,

W. T. TRUETT

REPORT ON DECEASED MEMBERS

Beaverdam—Lizzie Burges, Licia Jenkins.
Bates Creek—J. W. Capps, Love Payne.
Persimmon—Paralee Stiles.
Ebeneezar—A. J. Caphart, James Palmer.
Friendship—Minnie Ensley, Samuel Beaver.
Liberty—C. E. Ellis, J. S. Burrell, Louis Pryer, E. J. Berrong.
Pleasant Grove—Rev. W. D. Hogsed, Margaret Crowder, Ora Hudson, Armida Munday, Sarah E. Green.
Mt. Nebo—R. P. Radford, B. T. Radford.
Mt. Pleasant—Mary Kilpatrick, Emma Ledford, Pat Earwood.
Shoal Creek—Mary Stiles.
Fairview—W. H. Martin, Ruth Hayes.
Shady Grove—Myrtle Johnson.
Mt. Vernon—John Dockery, Levada Pack.
Hopewell—Isaac Rice.

J, T. PAYNE

OBITUARY

Mrs. Elizabeth Berrong

Mrs. Elizabeth Berrong, aged 68 years, of near Athen, Tenn., died at her home on October 14, 1929, at 11:30 A. M. after a short illness. Mrs. Berrong was a former resident of North Carolina; was a member of the Liberty Baptist church for about 30 years

Surviving are her husband, E. H. Berrong, aged 77 years; one son, M. E. Berrong, of Etowah, Tenn.; seven daughters, Mrs. J. L. McNabb, of Corbin, Ky.; Mrs. J. J. Kimsey, of Englewood, Tenn.; Mrs. Chas Boring and Mrs. Horace L. Johnson, of Etowah, Tenn.; and Carrie, Eula Mae and Olvia, who were at home with their aprents; two brothers, James Torrence, of Athens, Tenn.; and Willie Torrence, of Niota, Tenn., and one sister, Mrs. D. T. McNabb, of Suit, N. C. All of her children were at her bedside.

Funeral services were conducted at the First Baptist Church at Etowah, Tenn., at 2:00 P. M. October 16. Rev. W. A. Revis, who was her former pastor at Liberty Church and Rev. A. F. Mahan, pastor of Etowah Baptist Church officiated.

Flower girls were Msses Ruth Powell, Samme, Nannie and Edna Henderson, Marie Harris, Maud Keisler and Reva Minge, who were friends and neighbors of the family.

Burial was in the Greenhill Cemetery at Etowah, Tenn

Mrs. W. C. Ensley

Mrs. Minnie Ensley, only daughter of the late Col. B. M Ledford, departed this life March 8, 1930, at the age of about 58 years.

Mrs. Ensley had been a member of the Baptist Church from her childhood and had been a member of the Friendship Baptist Church for more than twenty years.

Mrs. Ensley was never a strong person physically, yet in her later years was to undergo many hardships and trials, caring for an invalid husband, but she did her duty and denied herself many things that she might tenderly care for the one that she had so promised to care for.

Mrs. Ensley had a host of friends in the community round about Friendship, who were grieved beyond expression to hear of her passing, but who are consoling themselves with the blessed thought that they'll see her again some day in that home prepared for those that fear the Lord and love his appearing.

R. L. KEENUM

SUPPLEMENT FOR MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE

Resolution for a fifth Sunday meeting:

We, the members of West Liberty Association, do hereby resolve,

CHURCHES	PASTOR AND POSTOFFICE	CHURCH / T / CLERK AN
Ebeneezar	J. L. Mulkey, Grandview, N. C.	A. J. Umphres, M
Mt. Olive	S. A. Helton, Culberson, N. C.	G. C. Jones, Post
Oak Grove	E. A. Beavers, Suit, N. C.	W. W. Borton, Le
Grape Creek	J. L. Mulkey, Grandview, N. C.	Joe Coleman, Mu
Pleasant Grove	Fred Stiles, Murphy, R-2	Allfred Payne, Bi
Bates Creek	B. V. Mull, Murphy, R-2	G. A. Hembree, I
Friendship	F. C. West, Culberson, N. C.	Guy McNabb, Su
Beaverdam	W. M. Young, Unaka, N. C.	Mrs. J. W. Odom
Mt. Pleasant	R. R. Bell, Sweetgum, Ga.	J. S. Shields, Cul
Liberty	L. M. Marr, Turtletown, Tenn.	J. L. Kimsey, Tu
Violet	J. T. Payne, Hiawassee, N. C.	Lottie Murphy, V
Persimmon Creek	E. A. Beavers, Suit, N. C.	C. D. Rogers,
Fairview	N. O. Kilpatrick, Murphy, N. C.	B. L. Fox, Ra
Shady Grove	F. C. West, Culberson, N. C.	T. M. Rice, C
Culberson	W. T. Truett, Culberson, N. C.	T. H. Croft, Cull
Hopewell	R. R. Bell, Sweetgum, Ga.	Julia Rice, Culbe
Union	E. A. Beavers, Suit, N. C.	Ben Reese, Vests
Shoal Creek	Carl Loudermilk, Isabelle, Tenn.	T. M. Allen, Post
Mt. Vernon	Frank Hall, Turtletown, N. C.	J. C. Bell, Turtle
Friendship No. 2	R. A. Helton, Culberson, N. C.	Howard Deweese
Mt. Nebo	M. F. Farmer, Unaka, N. C.	Lillie Dockery,
Hiawassee	A. M. Ashe, Murphy, R-3	J. A. Timpson, M

Moderator, J.P.Decker, Suit, N.C.,

Clerk, E.M.Hembree, Murphy, N.C.,

FINANCE TABLE

CHURCHES	TREASURERS AND POSTOFFICE
Ebeneezar	W. J. Umphres. Murphy, R-3
Mt. Olive	Fllen DeHart, Wehutty, N. C.
Oak Grove	W. W. Barton, Letitia, N. C.
Grape Creek	Joe Coleman, Murphy, R-3
Pleasant Grove	Alfred Payne, Birch, N. C.
Bates Creek	G. A. Hembree, Murphy, R-3
Friendship	Guy McNabb, Suit, N. C.
Beaverdam	Mrs. J. W. Odom, Unaka, N. C.
Mt. Pleasant	J. S. Shields, Culberson, N. C.
Liberty	J. L. Kimsey, Turtletown, Tenn.
Violet	Jack Davis, Violet, N. C.
Persimmon Creek	C. D. Rogers, Persimmon Creek, N. C
Fairview	B. L. Fox, Murphy, R-2
Shady Grove	T. M. Rice, Culberson, N. C.
Culberson	T. H. Croft, Culberson, N. C.
Hopewell	J. M. Bryant, Culberson, N. C.
Union	J. H. Payne, Persimmon Creek, N. C
Shoal Creek	G. W. Jones Postell, N. C.
Mt. Vernon	J. C. Bell,
Friendship No. 2	Howard Deweese, Sweetgum, Ga.
Mt. Nebo	Lillie Dockery, Grandview, N. C.
Hiawassee	J. A. Timpson, Murphy, R-3

SHIP OFFICE	Baptisms	Letters gained	Statements	Restorations	Letters lost	Exclusions	Deaths	Total present Membership	Regular Days of Meeting	In Village V; in country C	Persons Seated	Value of Church and Grounds	Total Value
R-3	35	9	--	1	5	--	2	140	2nd	C	250	1000.00	1000.00
	2	5	--	--	--	5	--	52	1st	C	---	500.00	500.00
C.	2	2	--	1	1	--	--	38	3rd	C	---	------	-------
-3	13	1	--	--	1	--	1	101	4th	C	400	500.00	500.00
	3	--	1	1	5	--	5	80	4th	C	300	500.00	500.00
N. C.	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	42	2nd	C	---	50.00	50.00
	18	--	1	3	4	--	2	192	1st	V	500	2000.00	2000.00
N. C.	12	--	4	--	1	--	2	152	4th	C	300	500.00	500.00
N. C.	1	--	--	--	4	--	2	185	2nd	C	300	200.00	200.00
Tenn.	11	11	11	3	6	5	4	164	1st	C	---	800.00	800.00
C.	2	3	--	--	3	--	--	69	1st	C	200	500.00	500.00
[illegible]k, N. C	--	--	--	--	2	--	1	51	3rd	C	200	700.00	700.00
	3	3	2	--	2	--	2	74	2-4	V	---	------	------
	3	6	--	--	6	--	1	151	3rd	C	250	1500.00	1500.00
I. C.	--	2	--	--	--	--	1	63	1st	V	---	1000.00	1000.00
C.	--	2	--	--	3	1	1	90	1st	C	300	1000.00	1000.00
	7	5	1	--	--	--	--	96	2nd	C	200	1000.00	1100.00
	3	--	--	--	4	--	1	158	4th	C	400	1200.00	1200.00
C.	26	--	--	--	3	2	2	126	2nd	C	---	------	------
ım, Ga.	6	1	--	--	4	--	--	69	2nd	C	---	------	------
w, N. C.	6	--	--	1	1	--	2	97	----	--	---	------	------
R-3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	48	3rd	C	200	500.00	500.00

Ministerial help	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Sunday S. and B.Y.P.U. exp	Local Poor	Minister's Fund	Other Objects	Missions	Orphanages	Ministerial Relief	Grand Total
15.25	4.10	----	11.83	----	1.00	----	1.25	3.48	7.10	90.62
3.75	-----	----	10.00	----	1.50	----	----	---	---	50.16
----	-----	----	8.66	----	2.10	----	----	---	4.62	47.24
----	23.00	----	----	----	.30	----	----	1.05	---	48.10
14.00	125.00	----	----	11.00	2.35	20.50	----	2.00	---	210.50
15.00	-----	----	10.00	62.92	1.81	7.75	----	---	---	66.33
58.35	-----	----	16.09	1.50	3.75	2.90	----	---	8.75	234.42
5.00	-----	----	28.00	15.00	---	----	----	---	---	125.26
4.75	-----	2.00	11.00	2.20	2.00	----	----	---	---	91.00
13.40	300.00	3.00	12.00	8.00	2.40	----	----	4.35	---	388.80
3.60	-----	----	5.60	3.00	.60	----	----	---	---	18.40
4.50	-----	----	6.60	1.75	1.00	3.00	----	---	2.25	57.46
7.30	-----	----	7.50	----	3.00	----	----	---	---	60.23
11.11	8.90	3.50	35.71	----	1.00	3.95	----	---	---	233.56
30.00	-----	15.00	6.00	----	1.75	----	----	---	---	112.75
15.00	-----	----	15.00	----	---	6.90	2.00	3.90	---	84.25
13.85	-----	2.85	11.55	----	2.00	6.20	----	---	---	102.95
----	-----	----	15.35	40.10	1.50	----	11.38	---	---	130.73
14.00	-----	----	----	----	3.40	----	----	---	---	58.40
----	-----	----	----	----	2.00	----	----	---	---	77.00
27.51	-----	----	9.50	3.39	2.00	2.00	----	2.00	---	94.50

1st, That this body be composed of the active members in good standing of this association;

2nd, That they shall elect one of their members as president one as secretary; one as treasurer; these officers to be elected annually;

3rd, That their meetings shall be held to begin on Saturday before each fifth Sunday during the year and continue through Sunday;

4th, That it shall be the duty of this body to discuss the rules and doctrines of our church;

5th, That this body provide a business period during each session;

6th, That a committee of arrangements shall be elected to select the place of meeting and the subjects to be discussed.

REPORT ON HOSPITAL

We, your committee on Hospitals, submit the following report: The State Baptist Hospital is located at Winston-Salem, N. C We recommend that this body lend a helping hand to support this institution.

A. J. WILLIAMSON

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

We, your committee on Temperance, make the following report: We find in God's Word that we must be temperant in all things and that we should be obedient to the command of our Saviour and we as a church should lend a helping hand to enforce the laws of our country, and to subdue the evils of our land, and take our country for Christ.

E. A. BEAVER
W. J. UMPHRES
Committee

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY

We recommend that this body put Rev. J. D. Moses in the field as associational missionary and give him the field for his support, asking the deacons of the churches lay out the work for him and help raise means for his support, and that the executive committee have the general oversight of the work, and at any time that they see that the work is not being carried on as it should be; then they may advise and, if unnecessary, doctrine is preached; they may call him in.

L. M. SHIELDS, Chairman

REPORT OF TREASURER

We have collected $28.88 for missions and orphanage from various churches.

J. W. KEENUM, Chairman

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

We, your committee on Finance, report:
$38.51 for Minutes and obituaries.

J. W. KEENUM,
D. T. McNABB,
Committee

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

We, the committee on Nominations, recommend that the first fifth Sunday meeting be held with the Shoal Creek church on Saturday before the fifth Sunday in November, 1930.

Second meeting to be held with Mt. Nebo church on Saturday before the 5th Sunday in March, 1931; the third meeting to be with Pleasant Grove church, beginning on Saturday before the fifth Sunday in May, 1931; the fourth meeting with Shady Grove church on Saturday before the fifth Sunday in August, 1931.

FRED STILES,
N. O. KILPATRICK,
Committee on Program

We, also, recommend that the next session of the West Liberty Association be held with the Beaverdam church, 14 miles northwest of Murphy, N. C., beginning on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1931.

Introductory sermon, by Rev. Fred Stiles; alternate, J. D Moses.

Respectfully submitted,
CAROL STILES,
CLINTON KEENUM, Com.

REPORT ON HOSPITALITY

Resolve, That this body of the West Liberty Association tender our thanks to the church and people for their kindness and hospitality during the session of the body.

J. T. PAYNE,
J. D. MOSES, Com.

Ruth Hayes

Fairview Baptist Church has lost one sister, Ruth Hayes.

Born May 19, 1897; departed this life Aug. 6, 1930; professed faith in Christ in 1911. She was loyal to the church and to her home. She is greatly missed by all, who knew her.

She leaves a father, three brothers, and one sister, a host of friends and relatives to mourn her death, but our loss is heaven's gain.

She was a faithful member of the B. Y. P. U. and served as

secretary, and was faithful to the end.

COMMITTEE

W. H. Martin

Fairview Baptist Church has lost Brother W. H. Martin, a deacon, deceased Sept. 17, 1930; aged 45 years.

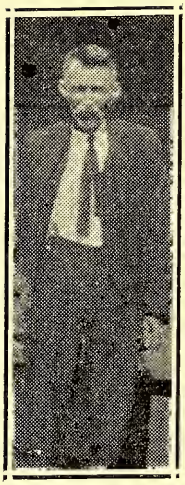
He professed faith in Christ early in life and joined the Baptist church.

He leaves a father, Rev. C. F. Martin; mother, a number of brothers and sisters. Also a wife, three daughters and one son to mourn his loss.

He was a good neighbor, a loyal citizen, and a christian gentleman. He had been adult Sunday School teacher for several years.

He is missed in the church, Sunday school and community in which he lived.

It seemeth such a little way to me
Across to that strange country, the beyond."
And yet not strange, for it has grown to be
The home of those of whom I am most fond.
They make it seem familiar and more dear,
As journeying friends bring distant regions near.



IN MEMORY OF REV. W. D. HOGSED

Rev. W. D. Hogsed departed this life Sept. 21, 1930, at the age of 75 years, 8 months and 18 days.

Brother Hogsed joined the church and was baptized in Oct., 1872; was licensed to preach Feb., 1881; ordained to the full work of the ministry Sept., 1885.

How difficult is the task as we endeavor to pay a just tribute to our departed friend and brother, who gave 58 years of his life in sacrificial service to the Lord, almost fifty years of which were given in ardous service as a minister of the gospel.

Brother Hogsed answered the call to preach under adverse conditions. The Civil War and Reconstruction Period deprived him the privilege of an education. However, unable to read and write he like other pioneers of the past began to warn people of the dangers of living in sin. Because of his consecrated life and being an obedient follower of the Lord and the further efforts of his wife, who taught him to read, he became an evangelist whose services were sought throughout the country. Since his departure many are the tributes we hear from people of the various walks of life. Many of these atest to the greatness and nobility of his service.

Brother Hogsed probably witnessed more conversions and baptized more people into the fellowship of the church than any other local preacher of his day. His works and service are accounted even greater because of the fact that his labors were rewarded with very little and often no consideration at all in a

financial way.

In addition to this we like to think of his personal work. In the community and home-life he rendered a great service by encouraging christians to render an every day service to the Lord and admonishing sinners to seek the Lord. In the sick room he was a welcomed servant giving comfort and encouragement to christians, praying and interceding for those who were not prepared to meet their God.

His was an unselfish service prompted by the Master, who said to forsake the dearest things of this life, loved ones, houses and land to show forth to a dying world that a saviour loved them even greater than was possible for the servant to love.

His strong physical body withstood the strenous years of service until about seven years before death his health bgean to decline. However, he continued to attend services and serve in whatever capacity he was able until one year and ten months before death when he was so stricken with paralysis as to confine him to his bed for the remainder of his life. During this period of suffering he seemed to enjoy the presence of the Lord more and more as he sang praises and prayed to be taken home to be with the Lord.

Our last visit to the sick room was one to be remembered. It seemed that the presence of the Lord was more pronounced as he sang and shouted praises with a fainter voice but with an evident nearer approach to the Lord. Like the apostle Paul he could say he was ready to be offered he had fought a good fight and had finished his course.

He is survived by his wife, who before her marriage was Miss Josephine Hall, daughter of Rev. M. I. Hall; nine children, four sons and five daughters, two sons and one daughter preceded him in death. He was laid to rest in the Pleasant Grove cemetery overlooking the Pleasant Grove church which he was a member and where he had bestowed much labor.

Although we mourn and greatly miss his presence we cherish the thought that a heavenly father whom he served so loyally and faithfully has called him to that rest that remaineth for the people of God, and the further thought that he still lives and will continue to live in the hearts of his friends. May we strive to emulate his life as a loving, loyal husband, a true and devoted father, who always sought the religious as well as the temporal welfare of his children; a citizen of the highest rank; a minister who fought incessantly for the higher ideals of a sacrificial life in the service of the Lord without compromising with sin in the least degree.

FRED STILES

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

TABLE

SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES

CHURCHES	Is it a Village, Town, City or Country Church		Officers & Teachers	Beginners, 3-5 Years	Primaries, 6-8 Years	Juniors, 9-12 Years	Intermediates, 13-16 Years	Young People, 17-24 Years	Adults 25 Years and Up	Cradle Roll Under 3 Years	Home Department	Total Enrollment—including Officers Teachers & Pupils	What is Your Average Attendance?	Is the School graded	Is it Standard A-1?	Teachers Holding Normal Diplomass.	Baptisms from School
Ebeneezar	Co.	Edgar Graves, Murphy, R-3	10	5	5	10	10	8	7	4	4	63	63	yes	---	7	33
Mt. Olive	Co.	T. N. King, Wehutty, N. C.	7	--	--	10	10	26	12	--	--	65	47	---	---	7	--
Oak Grove	Co.	L. P. Payne, Letitia, N. C.	6	9	13	--	--	--	27	11	--	60	27	---	---	--	2
Grape Creek	Co.	No report															
Pleasant Grove	Co.	Mary Gibson, Birch, N. C.	6	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	40	35	---	---	--	--
Bates Creek	Co.	Oliver Dockery, Murphy, R-3	5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	52	52	---	---	--	--
Friendship	Co.	R. L. Keenum, Suit, N. C.	8	8	7	18	20	15	25	--	--	113	95	yes	yes	6	7
Beaverdam	Co.	M. F. Farmer, Unaka, N. C.	12	8	15	25	20	14	23	--	--	116	100	yes	---	--	--
Mt. Pleasant	Co.	J. B. Shields, Murphy, N. C.	7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	---	--	---	---	--	--
Liberty	Co.	W. B. Ledford, Turtletown, Tenn.	10	12	10	15	18	25	32	9	--	82	82	---	---	--	--
Violet	Co.	Leston Taylor, Violet, N. C.	4	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	---	30	---	---	--	--
Persimmon Creek	Co.	E. L. Simonds, Letitia, N. C.	6	--	15	7	--	--	16	--	--	---	30	---	---	--	--
Fairview	Co.	B. L. Fox, Murphy, R-2	6	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	79	--	---	---	--	--
Shady Grove	Co.	G. E. Rice, Culberson, N. C.	21	8	22	9	17	20	25	6	6	134	89	yes	yes	14	2
Culberson	V.	T. H. Croft, Culberson, N. C.	5	6	7	7	7	15	5	--	--	40	55	yes	yes	10	--
Hopewell	Co.	A. L. Tippet, Culberson, N. C.	8	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	---	--	---	---	--	--
Union	Co.	Bess Reese, Vests, N. C.	6	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	45	--	---	---	--	--
Shoal Creek	Co.	Grade Jones, Postell, N. C.	10	5	8	7	8	13	19	--	--	70	40	yes	---	3	--
Mt. Vernon	Co.	Not reported															
Mt. Nebo	Co.	J. D. Moses, Grandview, N. C.	9	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	88	--	---	---	--	5
Hiawassee	Co.	Not reported															
Friendship No. 2	Co.	Not reported															

The Bryson City Times Print Shop